

# Spill Modeling for Response, Planning & Evaluation

Global Hindcast / Nowcast / Forecast System



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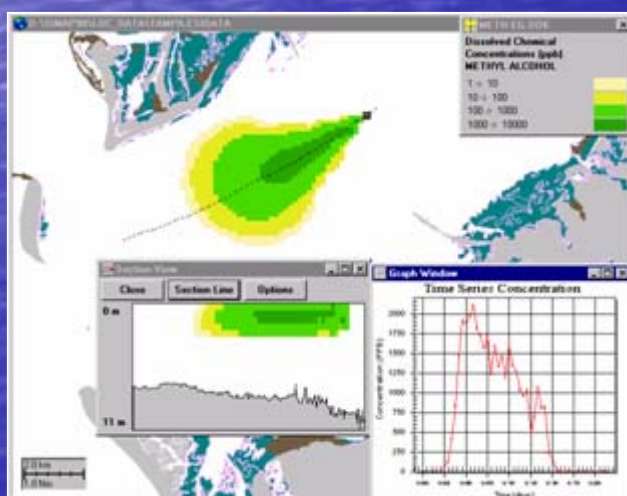
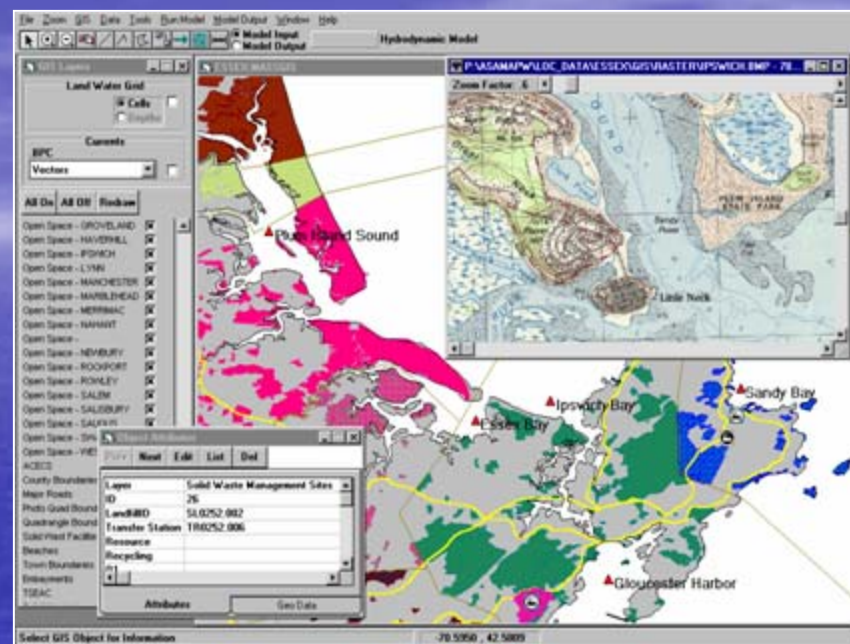
# Outline

- **ASA Spill Modeling and Analysis Systems**
- **Models – Application Methods for Spills**
- **Oil Models – Processes Simulated**
- **Example – Single Scenario (e.g. SONS)**
- **Example – Pre-Planning and Evaluations of Risk**

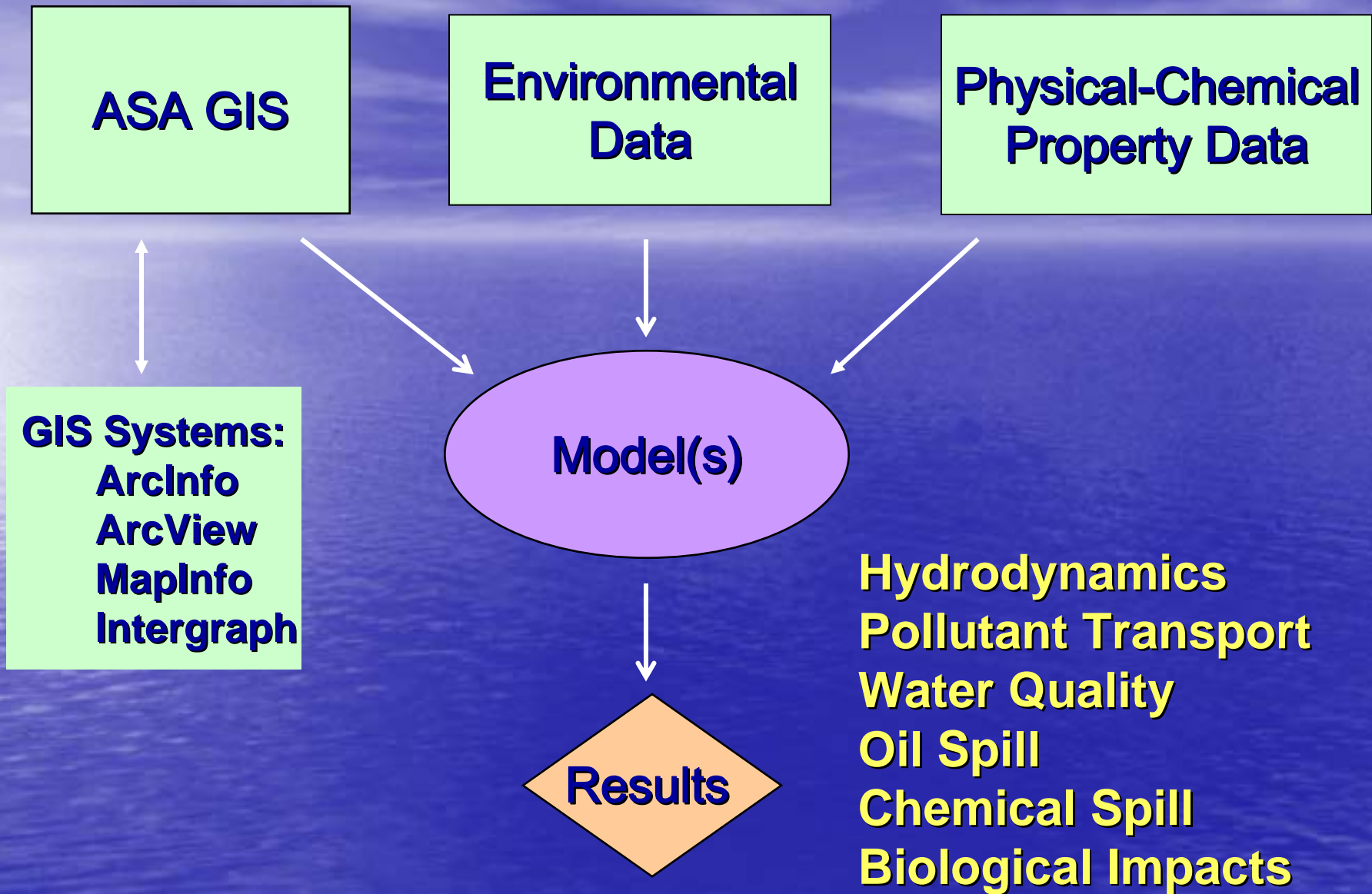


# ASA – Modeling and Analysis

- Oil and Chemical Spills
- Hydrodynamics
- Pollutant Transport
- Water Quality
- Biological Impacts
- Ecological Risk
- Natural Resource Damage Assessment
- Search and Rescue



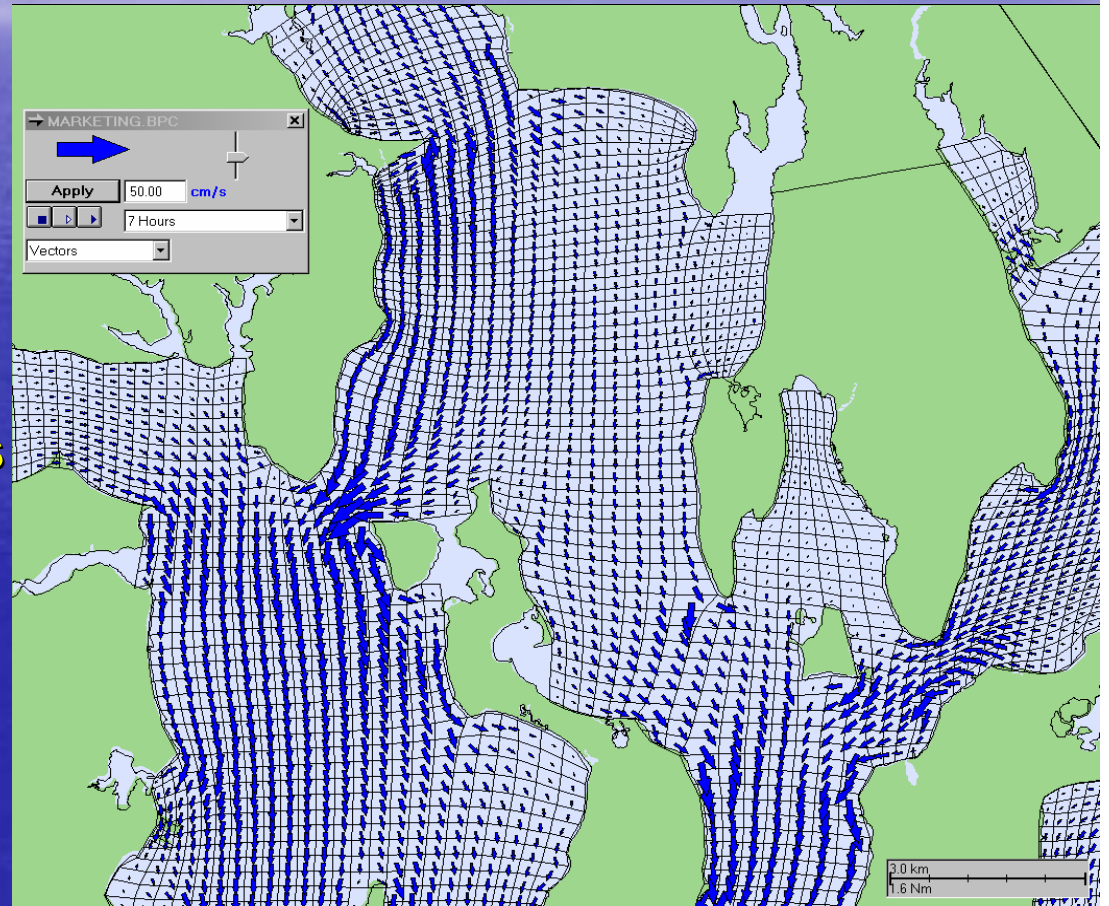
- Windows Graphical User Interface (GUI)
- Geographical Information Systems (GIS)
- Real-Time Data Integration





# Hydrodynamic Modeling

- 2D and 3D
- Gridding:
  - Rectilinear
  - Boundary- fitted
- Dated
  - Run for specific time
  - Sum pre-run components
- Components
  - Tidal
  - Wind-driven
  - Density-driven
  - River



# Response Models

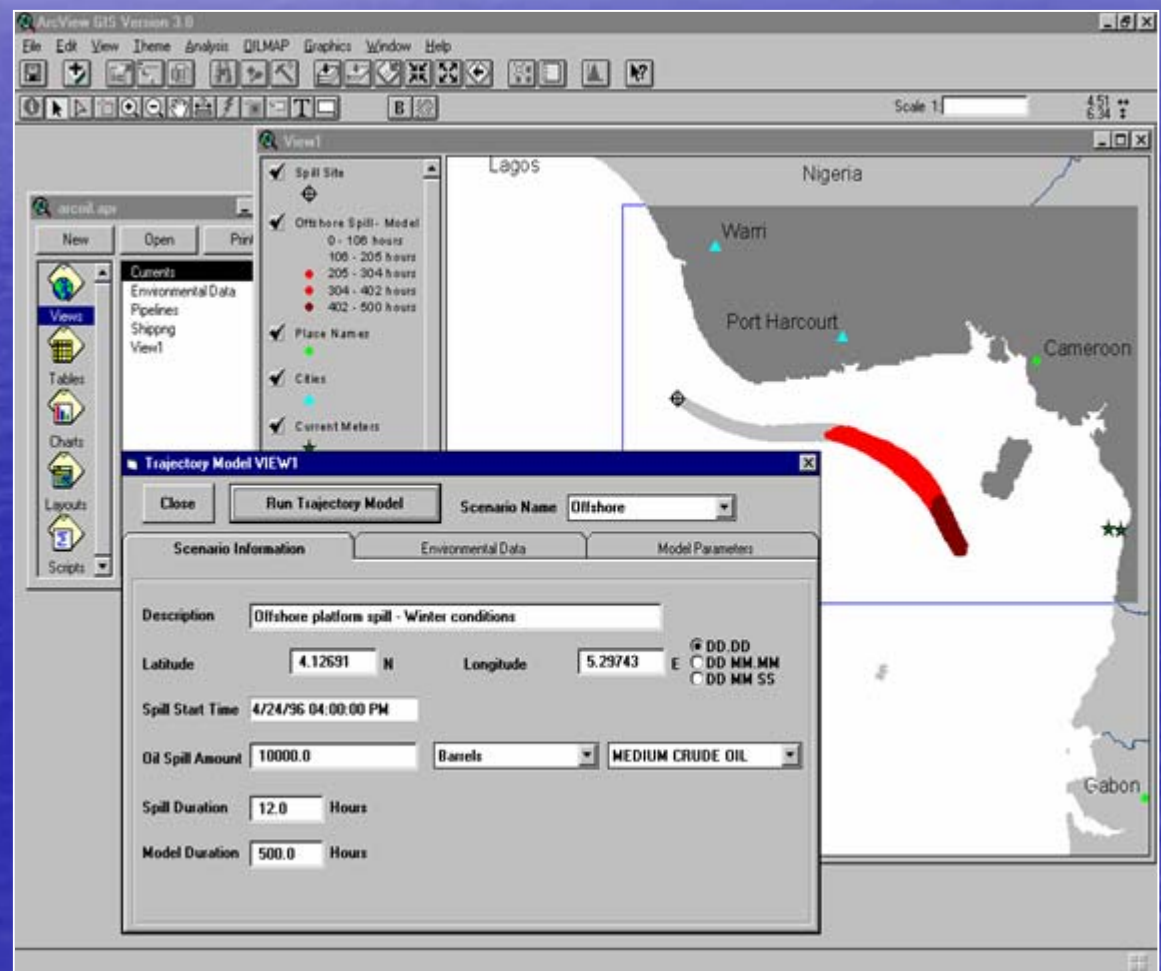


- Oil Spills: OILMAP, SIMAP
- Chemical Spills: CHEMMAP
- Air contamination: AIRMAP
- Search and Rescue: SARMAP
- CMSMAP: Integrated system



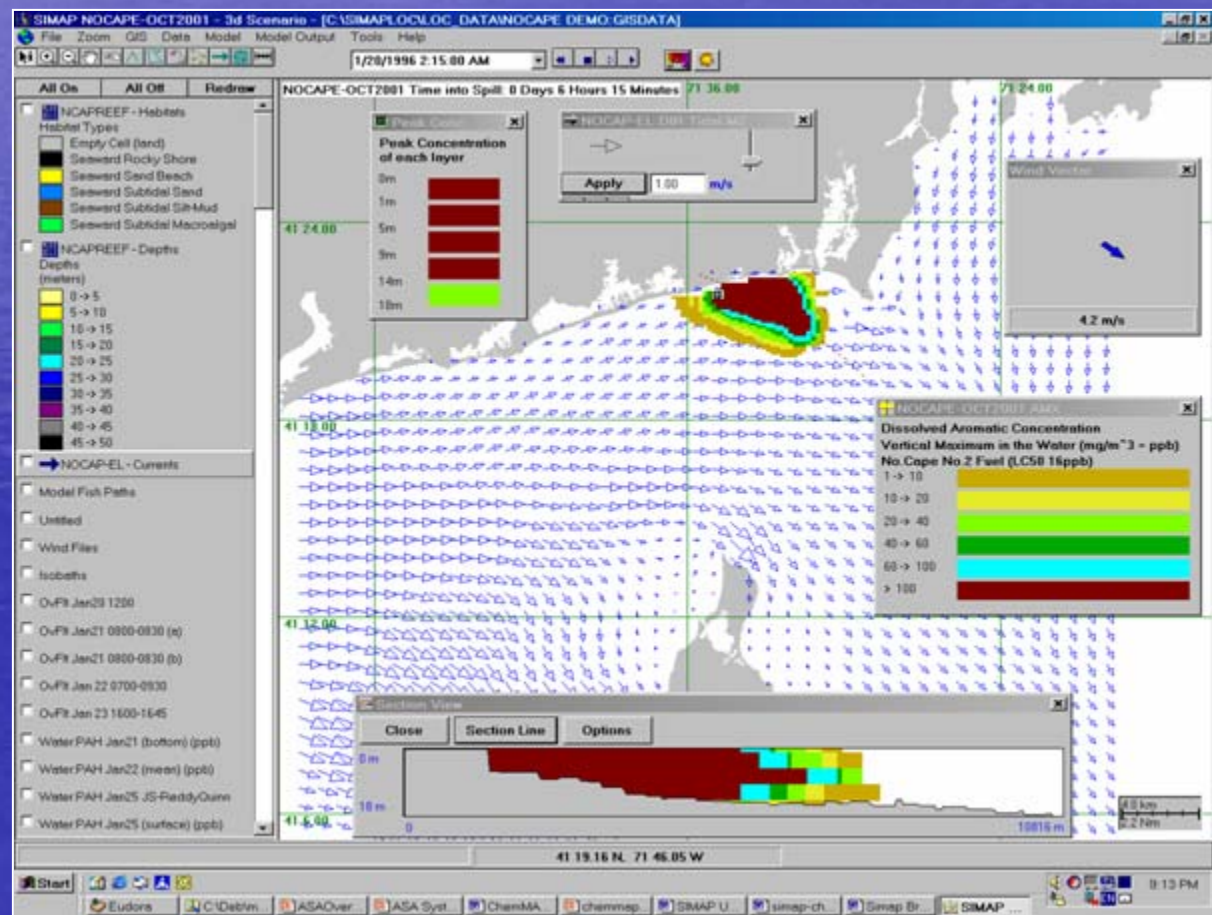
# OILMAP

- Oil spill response
  - real time
  - decision support
  - training
- Spill drills
- Contingency planning
- Management and communication of spill-related data
- Linkage to ICS-based On-Scene Command and Control System (OSC2) – USCG



# SIMAP

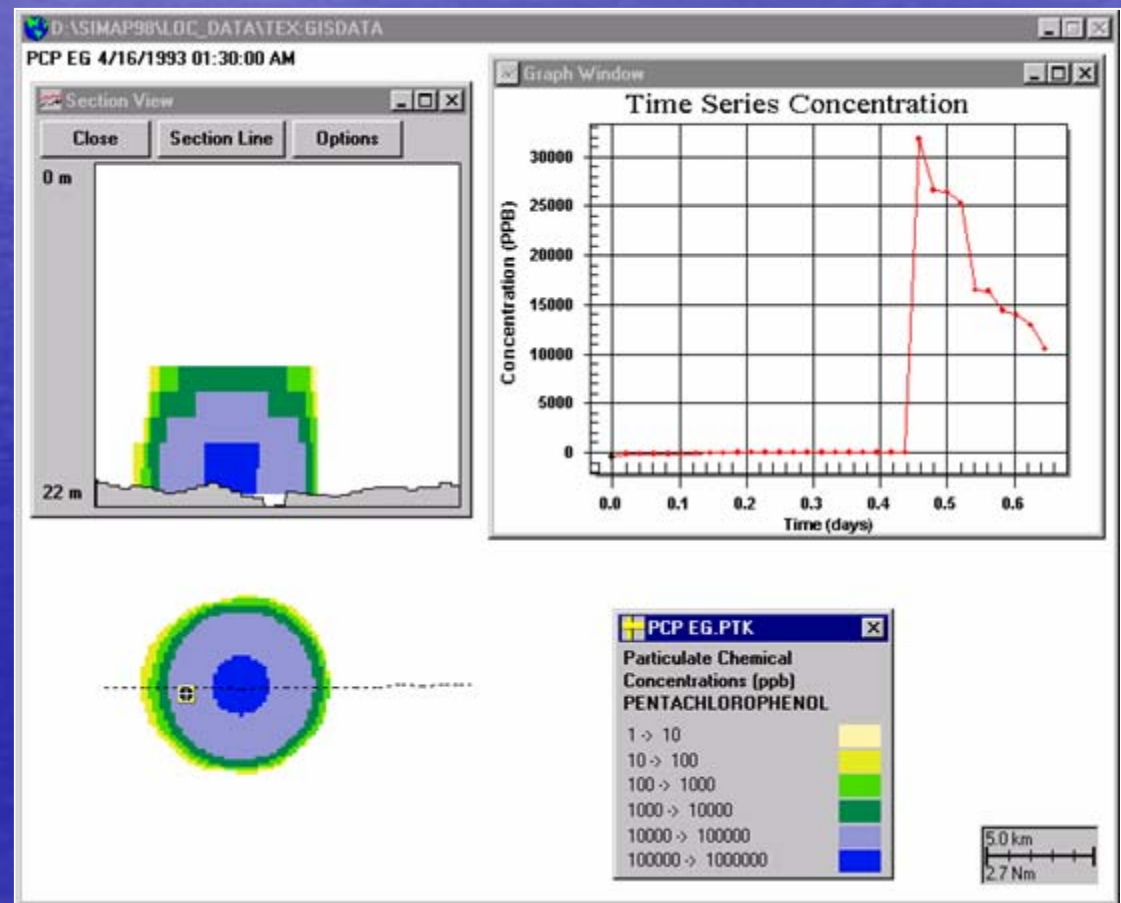
- Oil Spill Modeling: 3D Fates and Effects
- Spill planning
- Impact Assessment
- Ecological Risk Assessment
- Natural Resource Damage Assessment





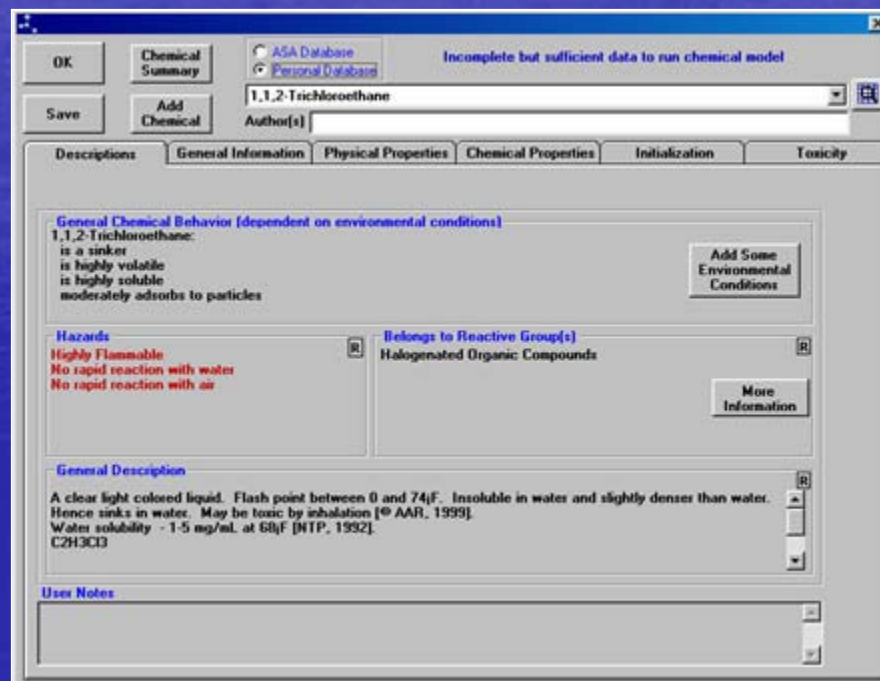
# CHEMMAP

- Chemical Spill Modeling: 3D Fate and Effects
- Response
- Impact Assessment
- Ecological Risk Assessment
- Natural Resource Damage Assessment



# Chemical Database

- Physical-chemical properties
- Hazards and spill behavior
- Over 900 chemicals










# CHEMMAP Health & Safety

- Hazard Table and Precautions
- Acute and Chronic Health Effects
- First Aid and Advice for Doctors
- Personal Protective Equipment For Industrial/Commercial Environments
- Safe Handling
- Fire Fighting and Fire Incompatibility

CHEMWATCH HAZARD RATINGS

Flammability: 2	
Toxicity: 2	
Body Contact: 2	
Reactivity: 2	
Chronic effect: 3	

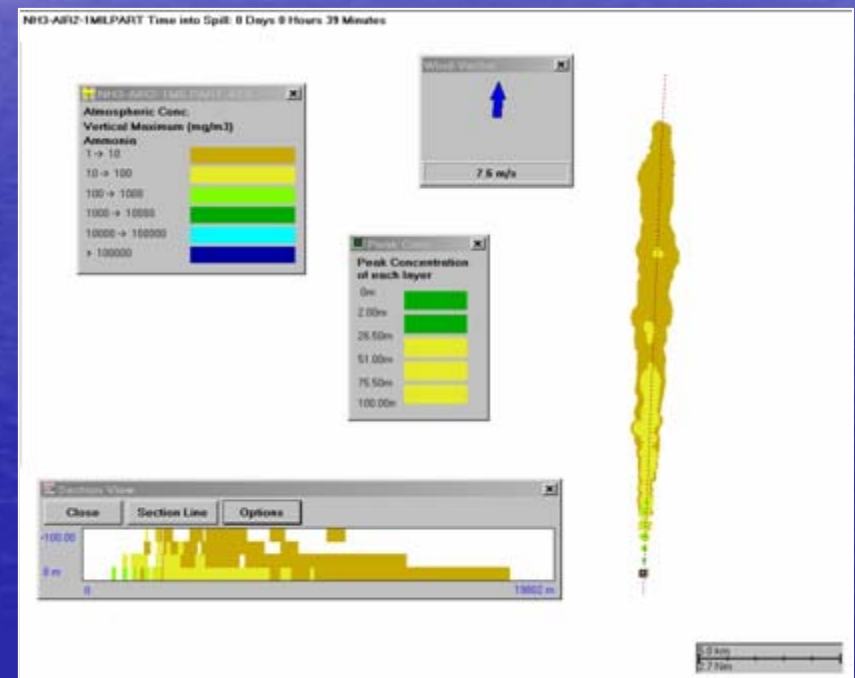
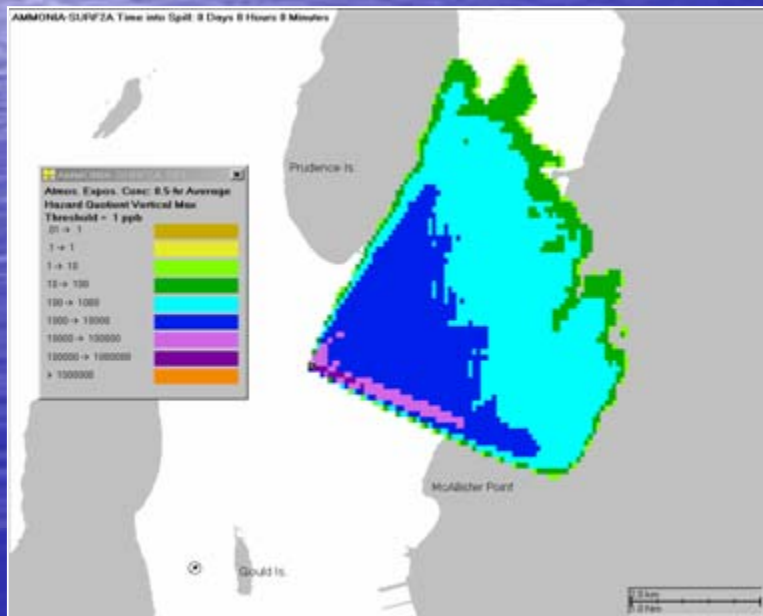


Scale: Min / Nil = 0, Low = 1, Moderate = 2, High = 3 and Extreme = 4.



# AIRMAP

- Chemical transport modeling in air resulting from point release
- Sources:
  - Surface
  - From water

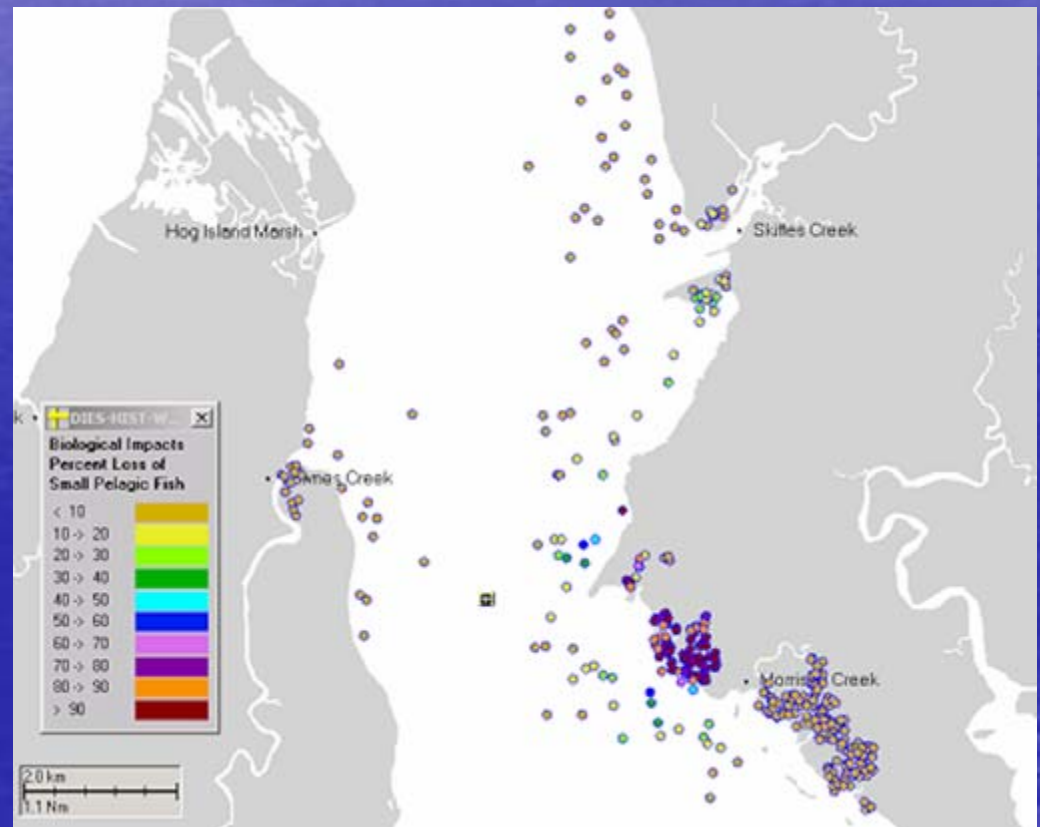


- Human exposure and hazard analysis



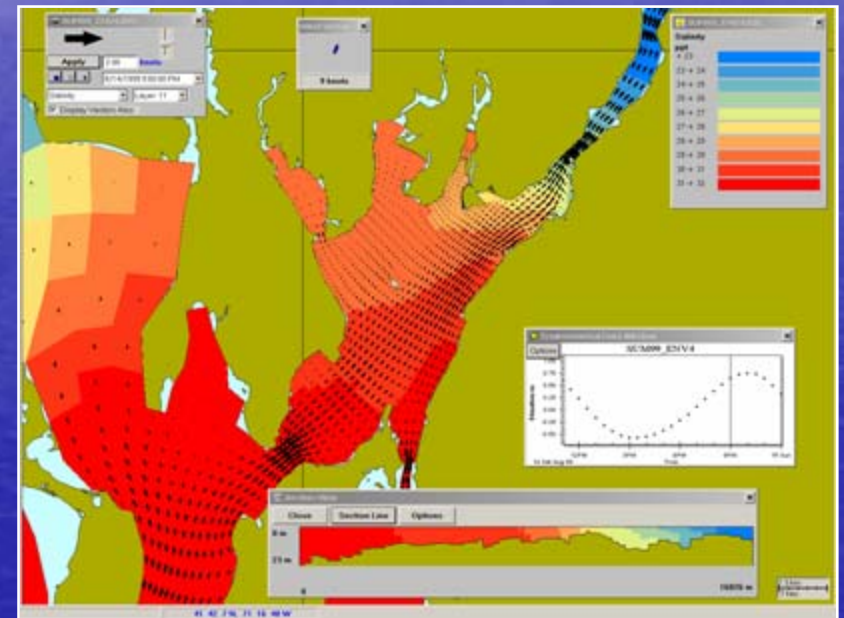
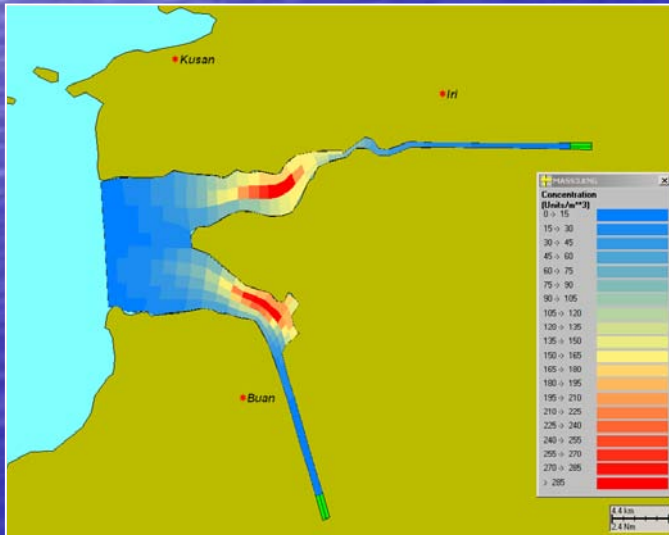
# Biological Exposure Modeling

- Exposure to
  - Oil
  - Chemical
  - Sediments
- Track movements and exposure concentrations
- Dose: ppb-hours
- Percent Mortality
- Impacts if abundance known



# WQMAP

- Pollutant Transport
- Point and Non-point Sources
- Water Quality
- Thermal Effluents



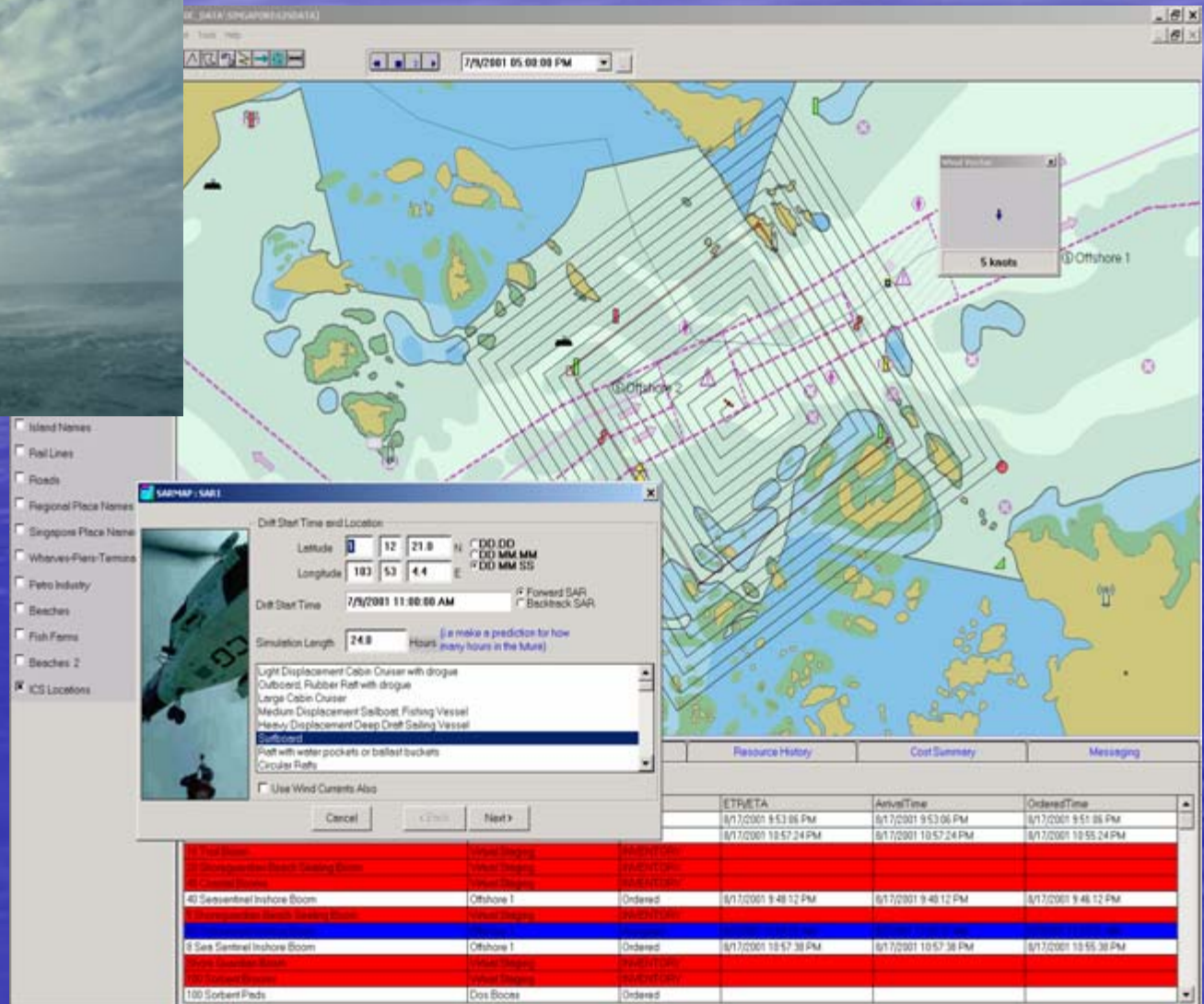


# Search & Rescue Management System

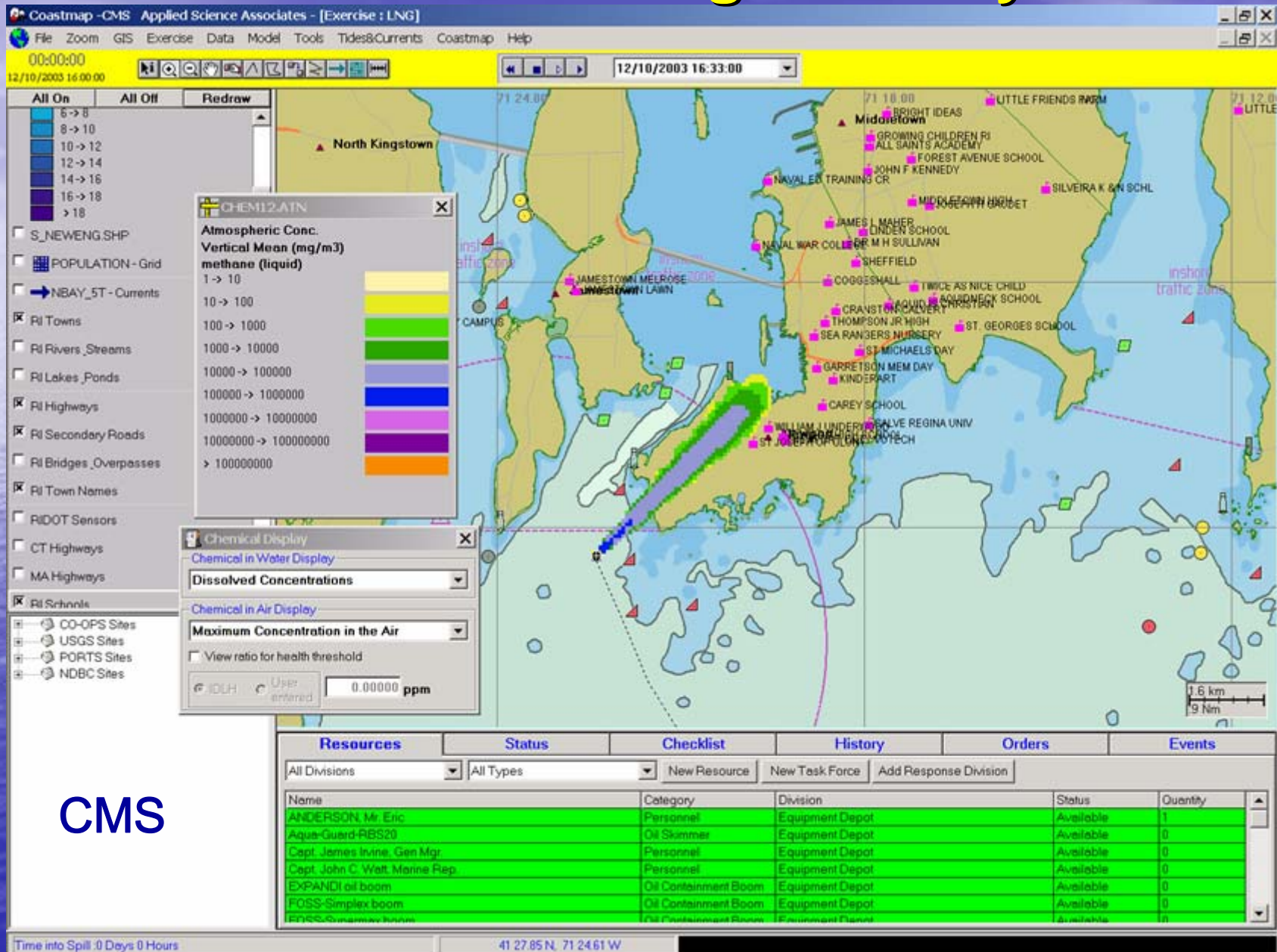


# SAROPS - USCG

# SARMAP - US Navy



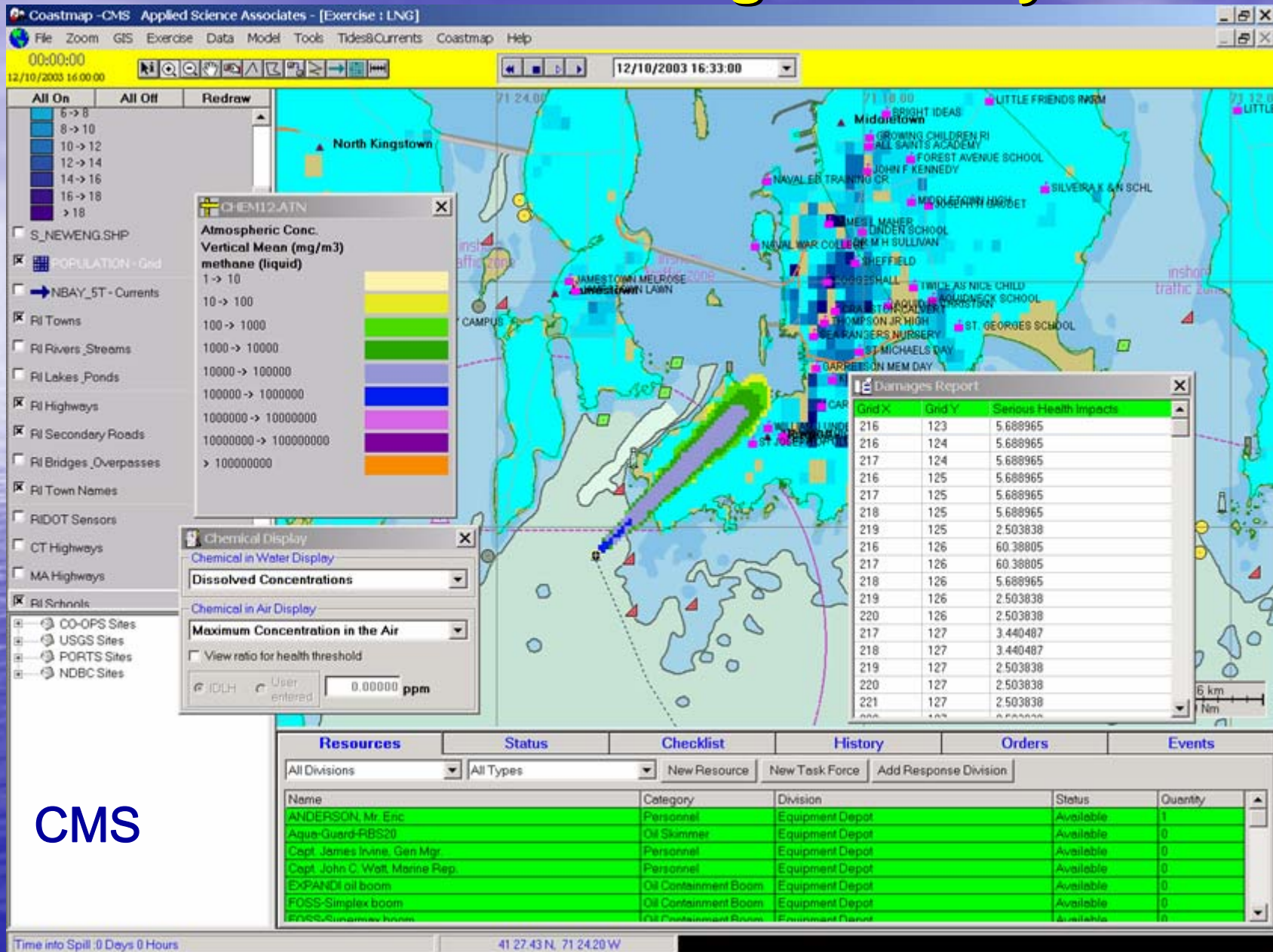
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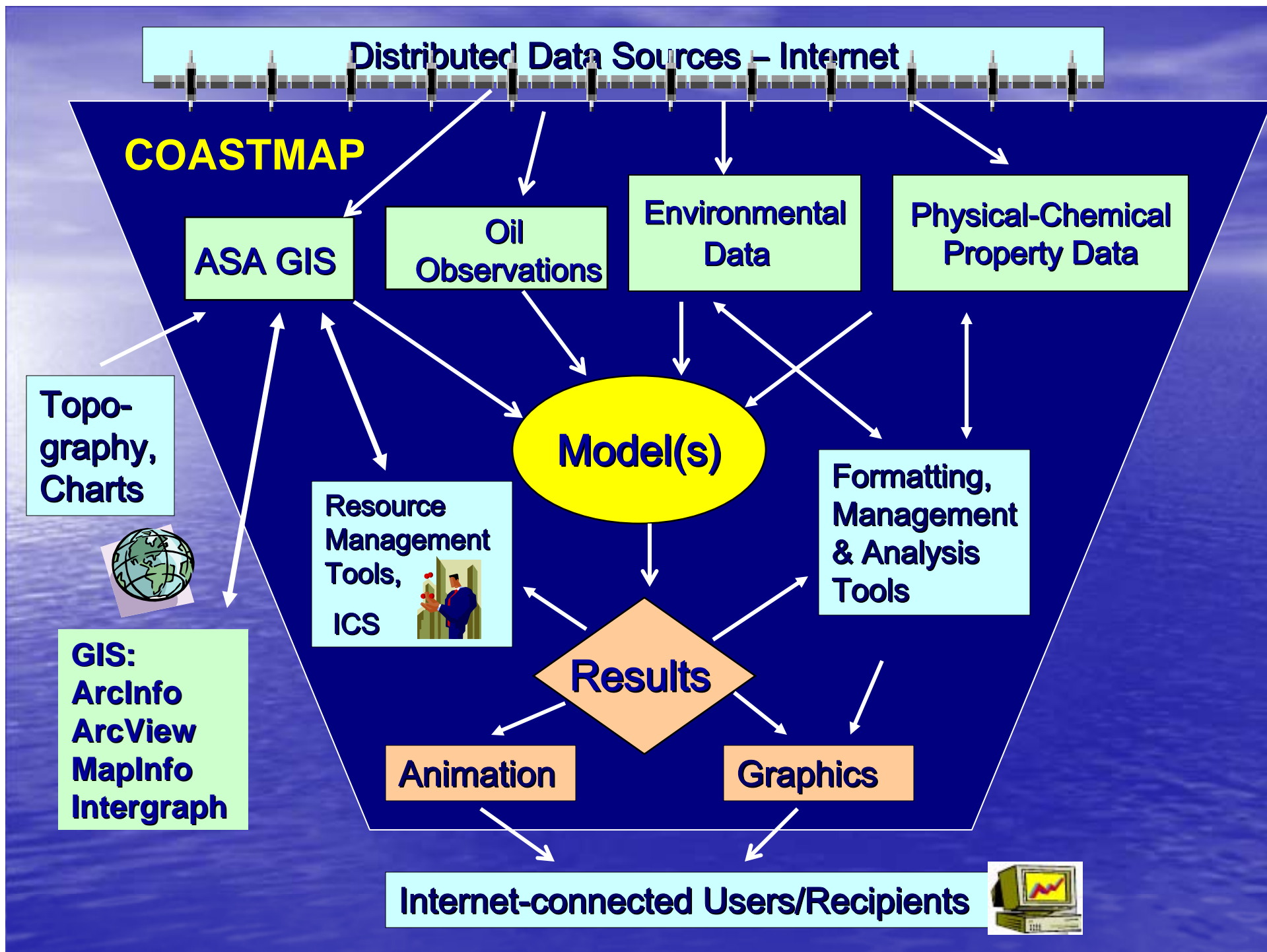


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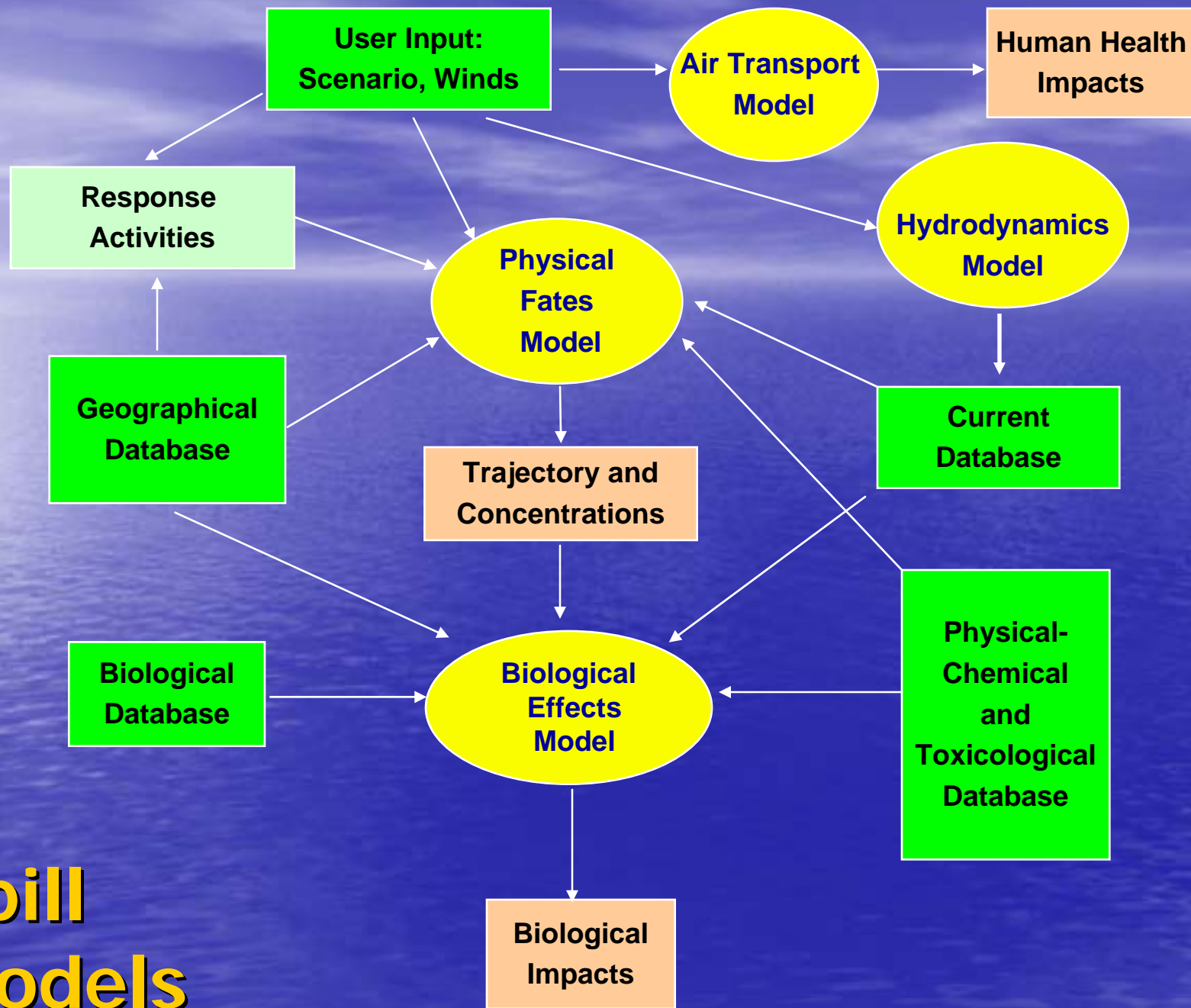






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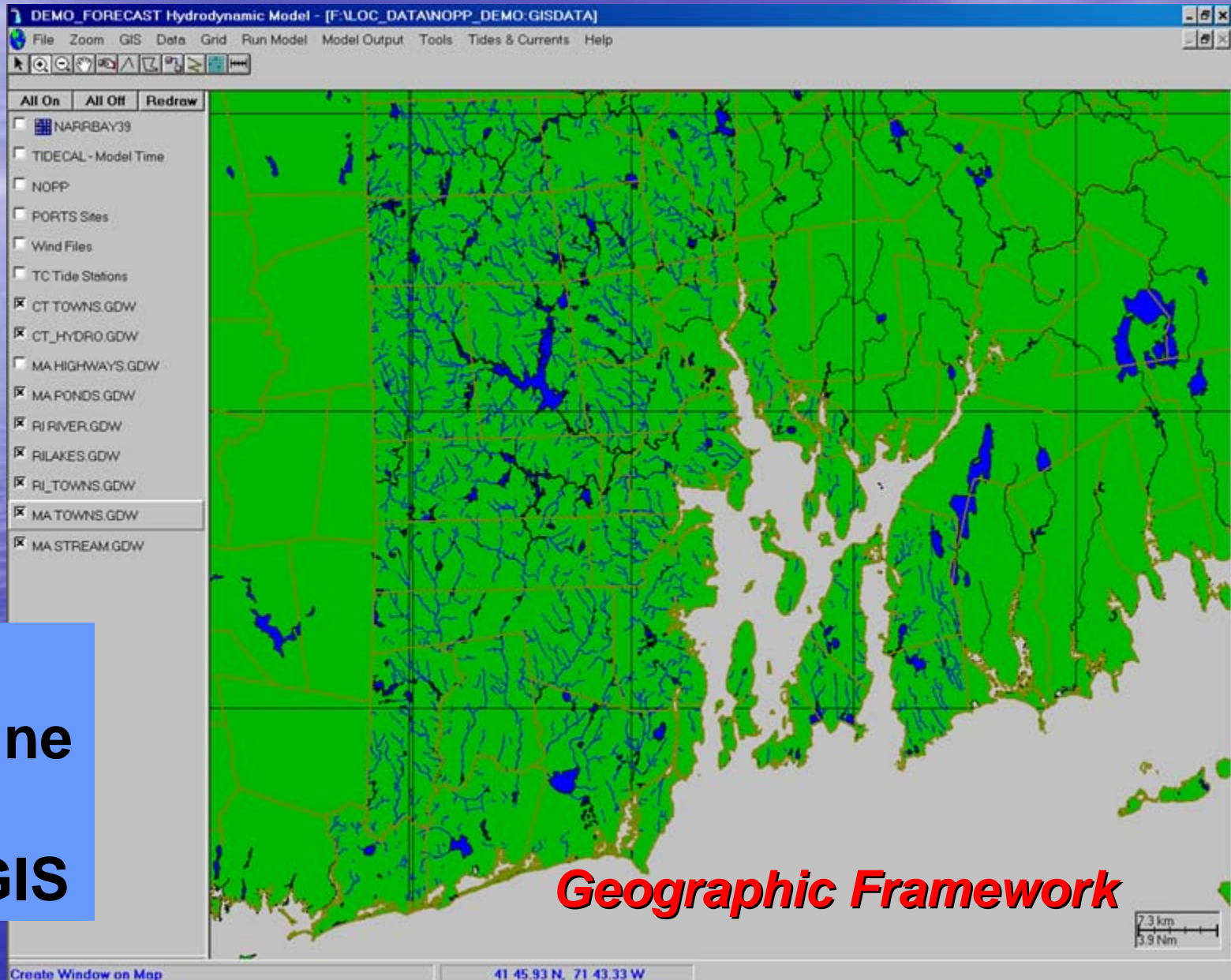
- **Real-Time Data Collection and Archiving**
- **Analysis and QA/QC of Data Streams**
- **Embedded Geographic Information System (GIS)**
- **Seamless Linkage to Numerical Hindcast/Nowcast/Forecast Models**



**Spill  
Models**

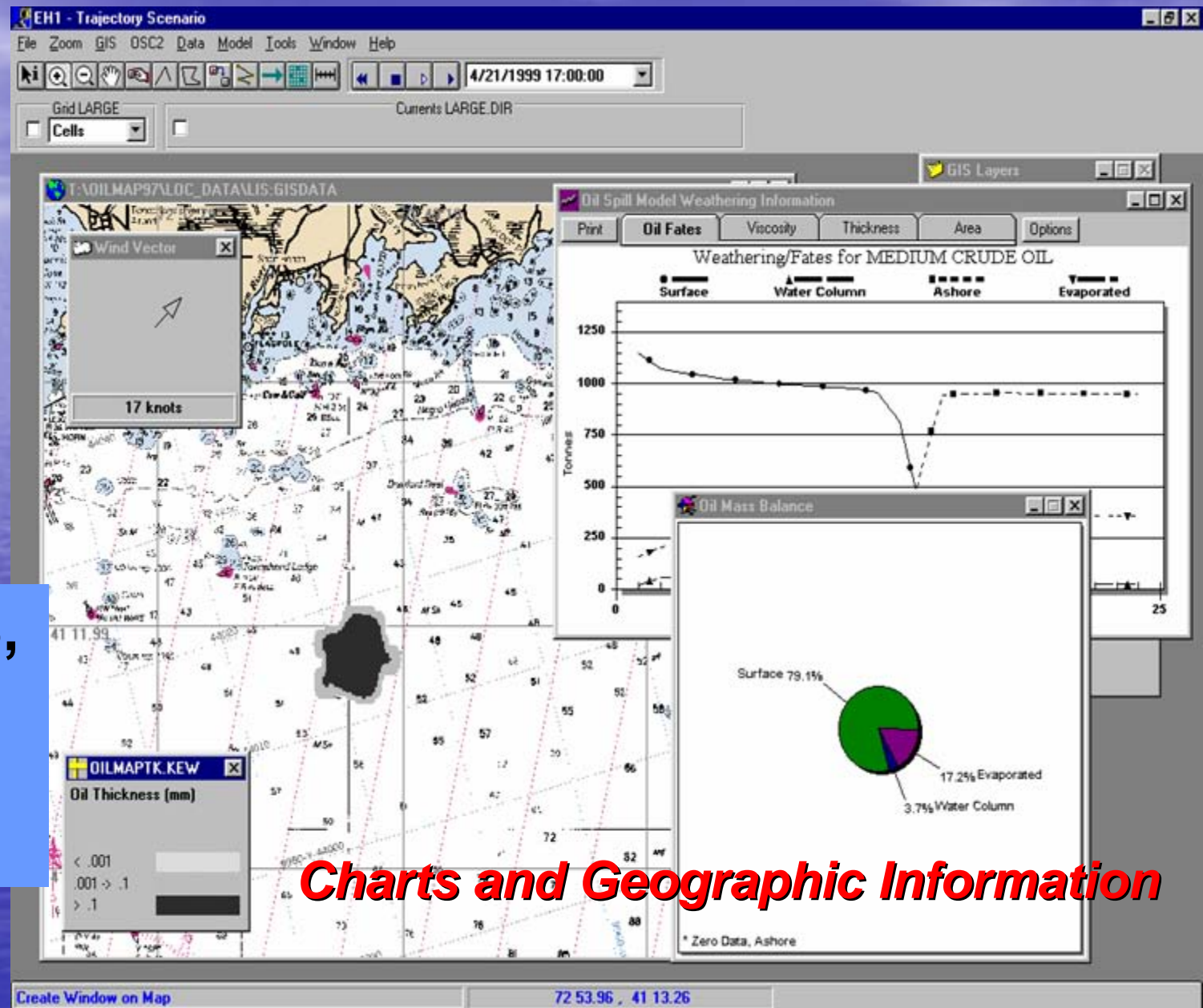


# From Concept to Execution



Global  
Coastline  
Data;  
State GIS

ASA GIS,  
BSB  
NOAA  
Charts

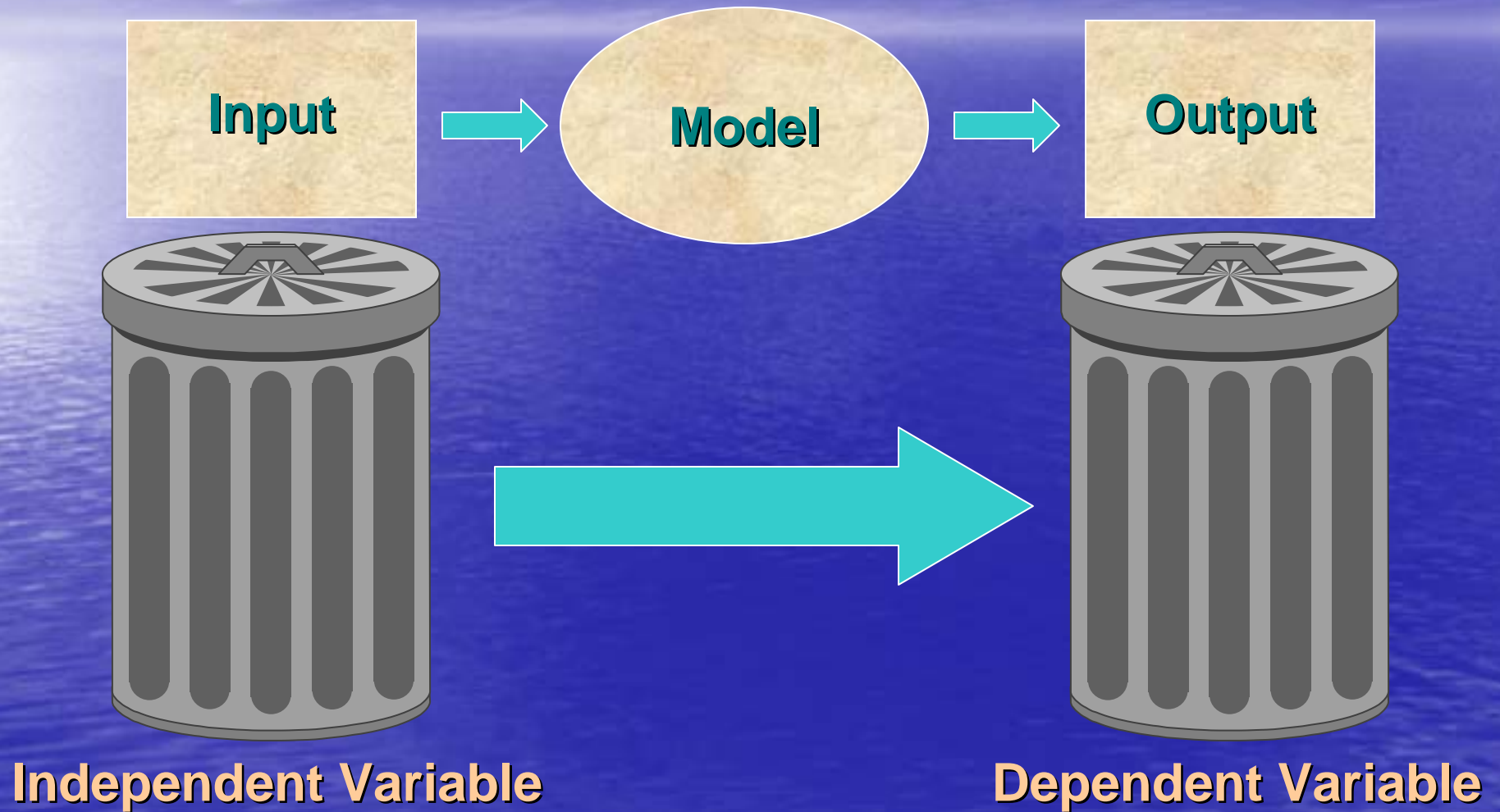




# Forecast Model Data Integration



# Model Accuracy Depends on the Accuracy of Wind and Current Data





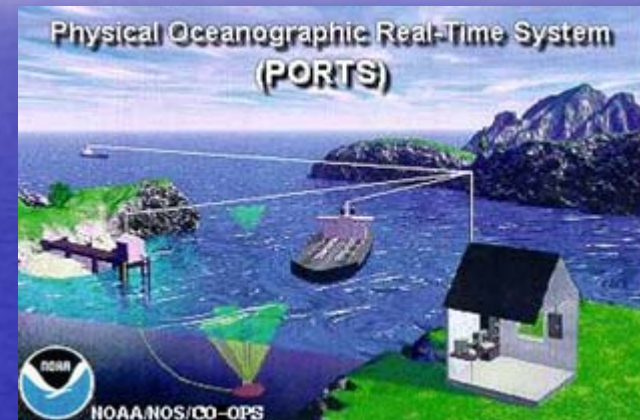
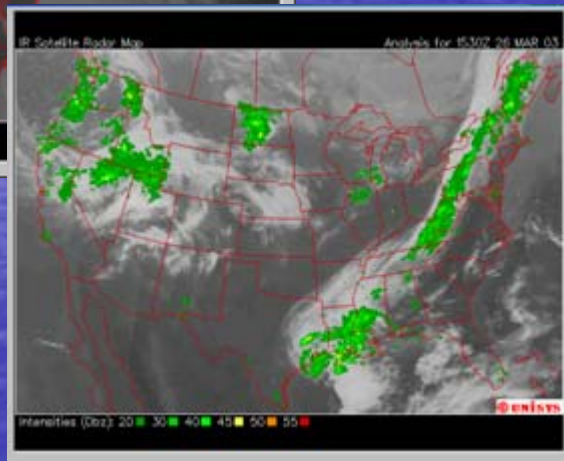
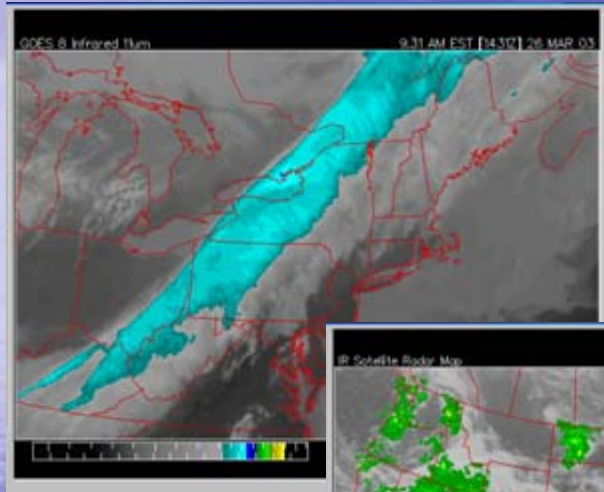
# Real Time Data Collection

*Meteorological: Wind, Waves, Temperature*

Reliability:

✓ Measured

• Forecasts



NOAA

NOS

National  
Weather Service



# Current Data – Approach: Hydrodynamic Modeling

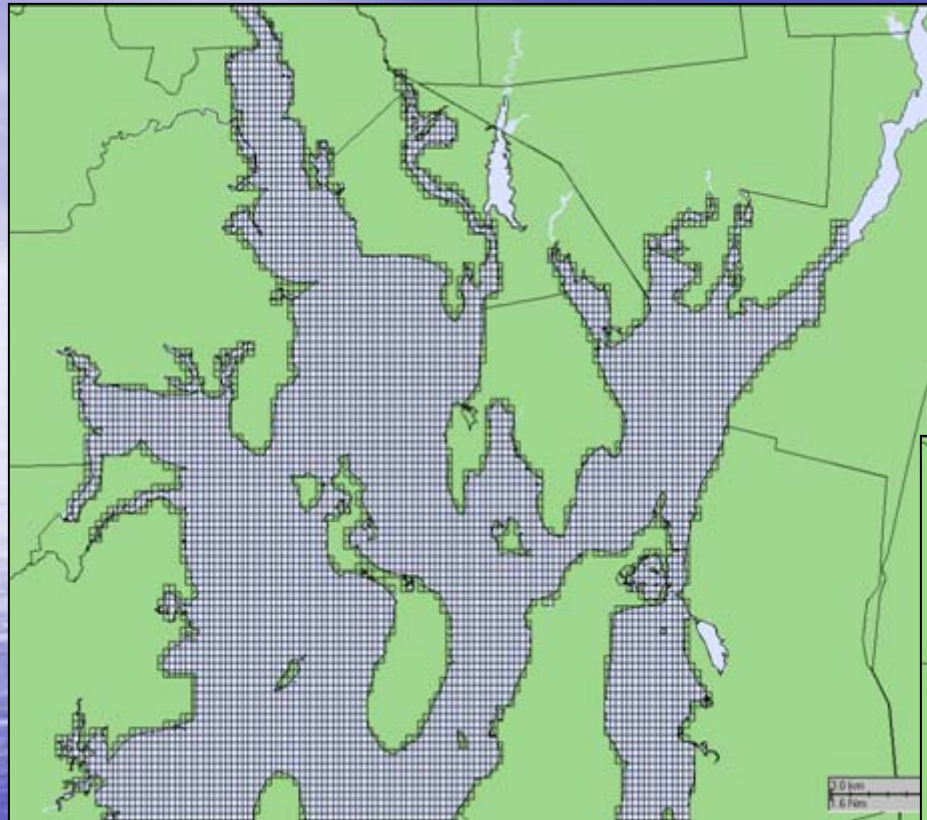
- Needed Input (in Real Time)
  - Forcing data
    - Water heights
    - Water density
    - River flow rates
  - Boundary conditions
- Observational data in real time
  - Calibration
  - Validation



# Hydrodynamic Modeling Approach

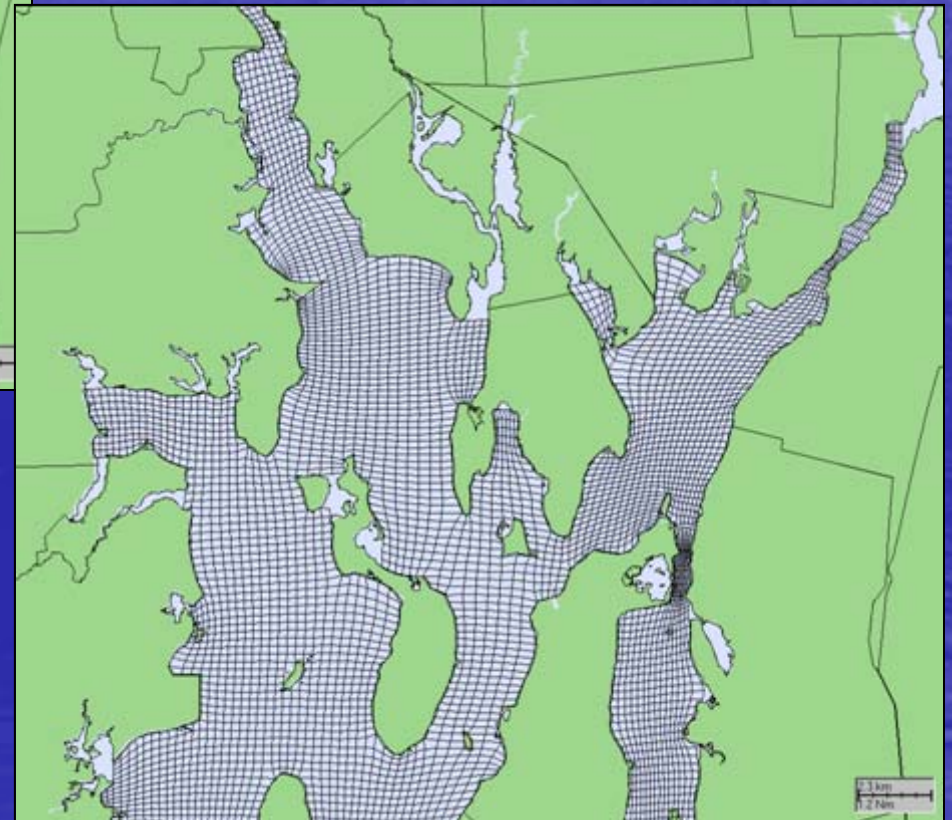
- **Real-Time, Dated Simulation**
  - Tidal constituents
  - Winds
  - River flow
  - Water density data
- **Preparatory – pre-run constituents**
  - Tidal harmonics
  - Seasonal mean or wet/dry season river flow
  - Sum components for date of spill
  - Add wind-driven component

# Hydrodynamic Modeling



***Rapid Rectangular Grid Generation***

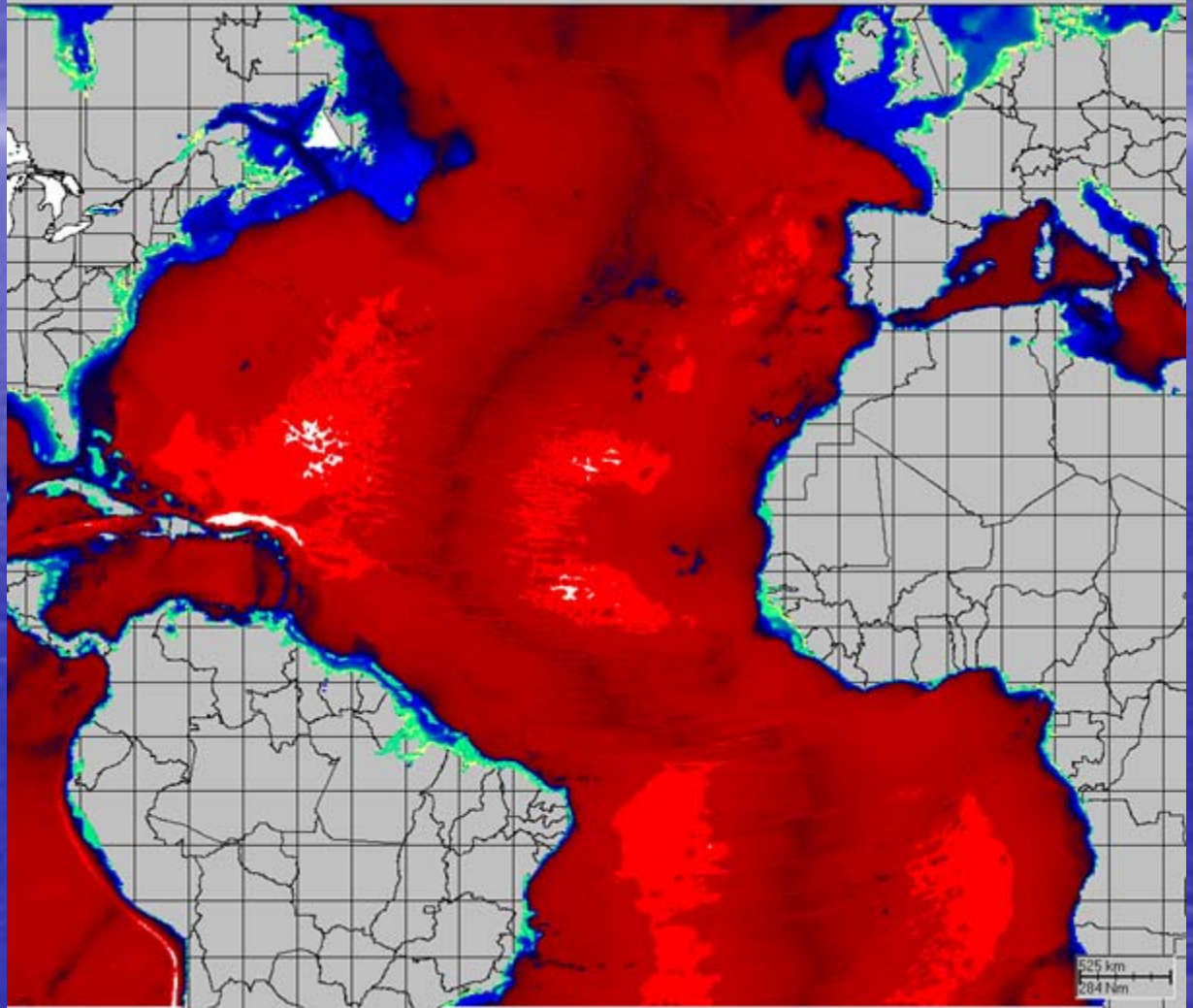
***Boundary Conforming Grid Generation***





# Global and US Databases

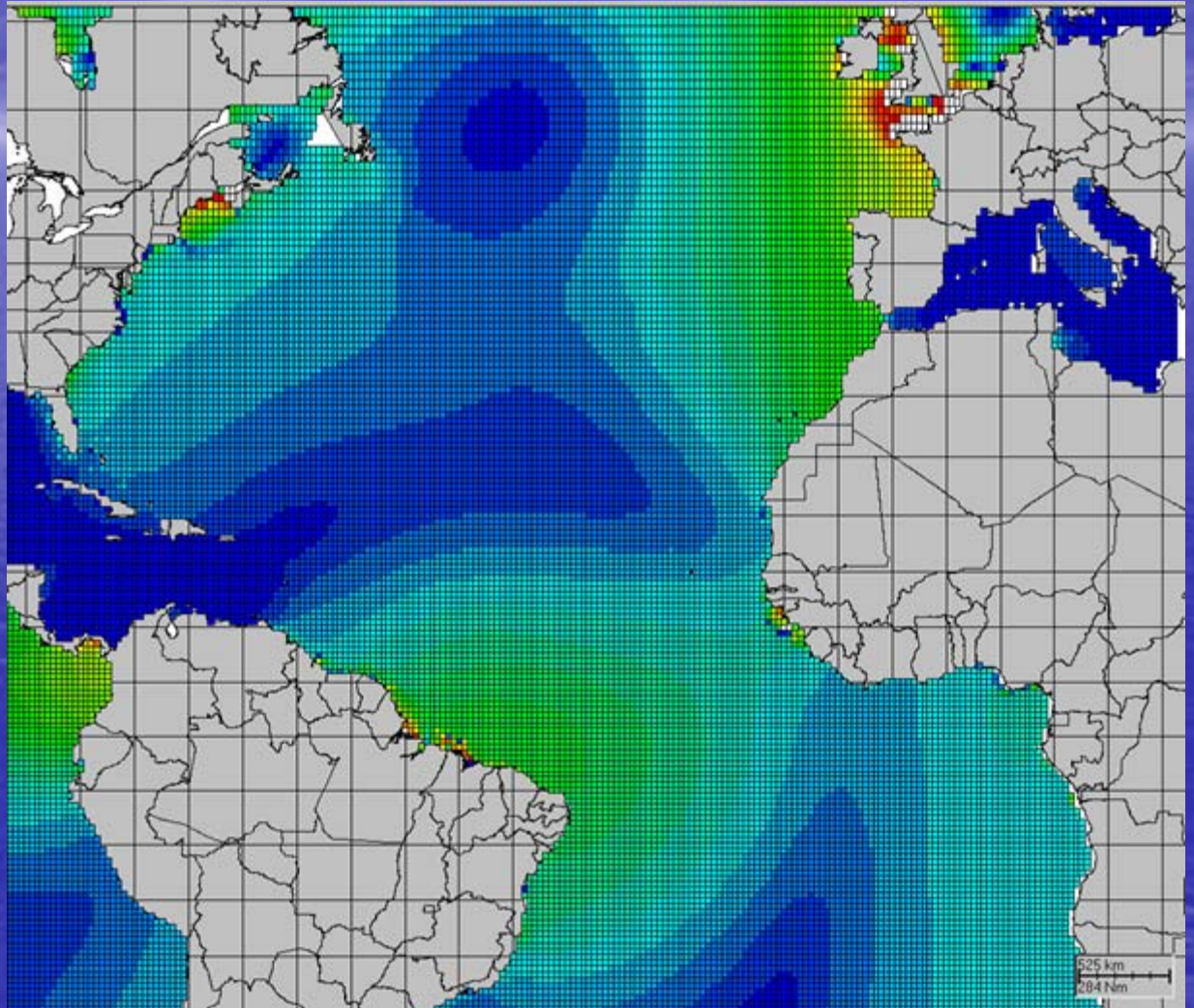
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  - ETOPO2
  - NOAA





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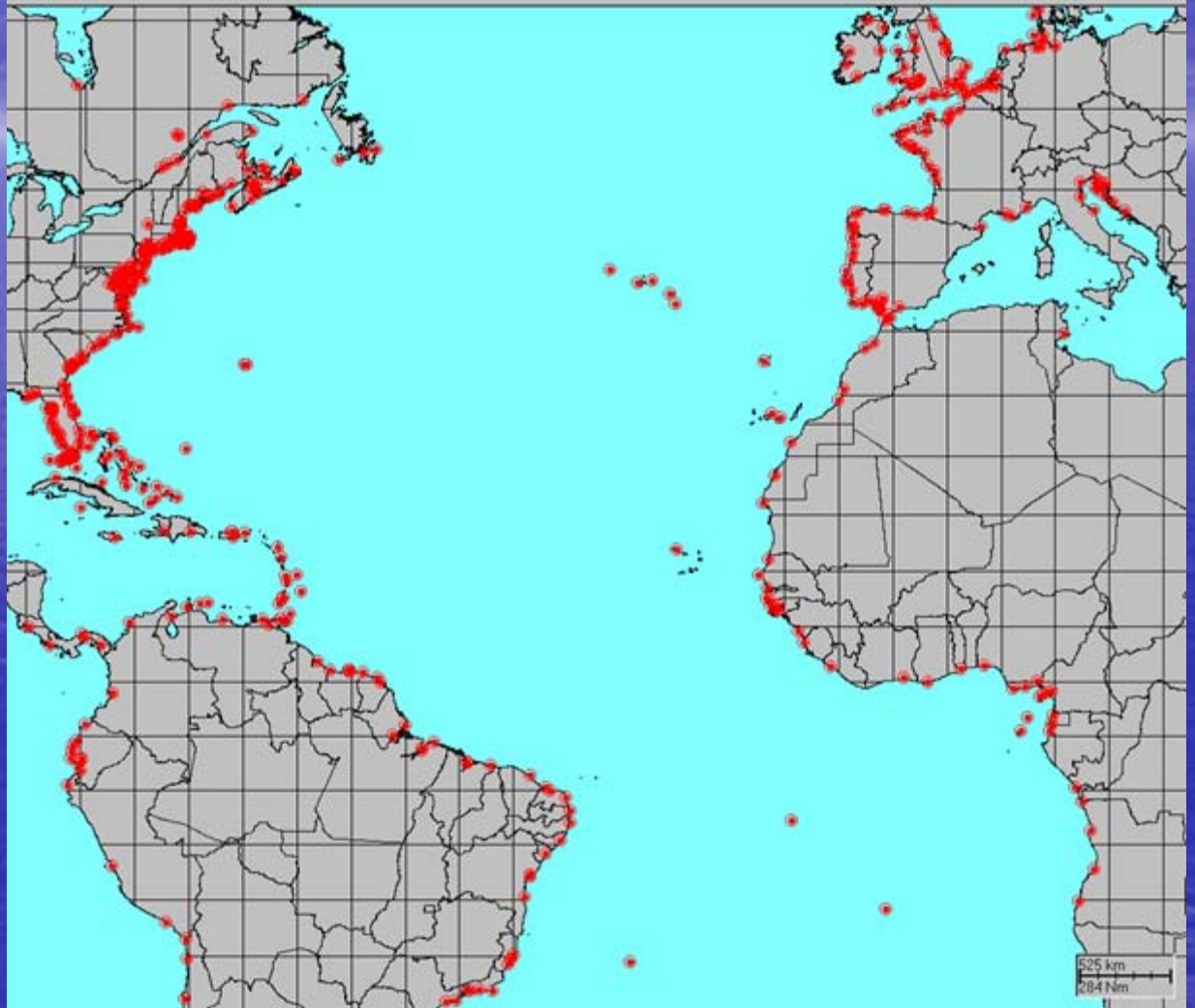
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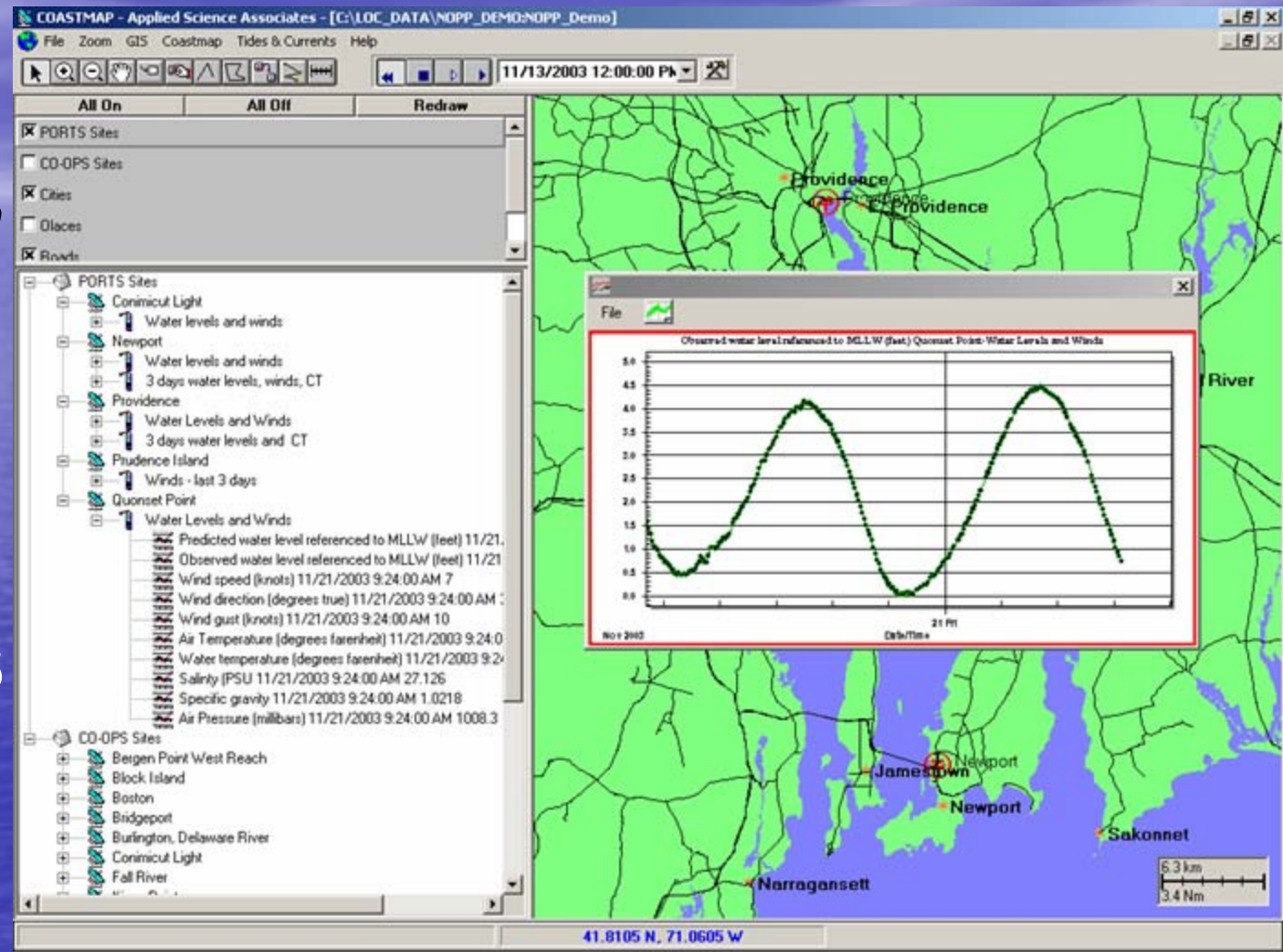
- Bathymetry
- Gridded Tidal Harmonics
- **Point Coastal Tidal Harmonics**



# COASTMAP

*Real-time  
connection  
to web data*

- NOAA
- PORTS  
sensors
- CO-OPS
- NDBC
- USGS  
gauges





# Distributed Data Sources

- **Real-Time Systems**

- NOAA PORTS
- GOMOOOS
- CODAR
- USGS
- User Field Programs

- **Archived Data**

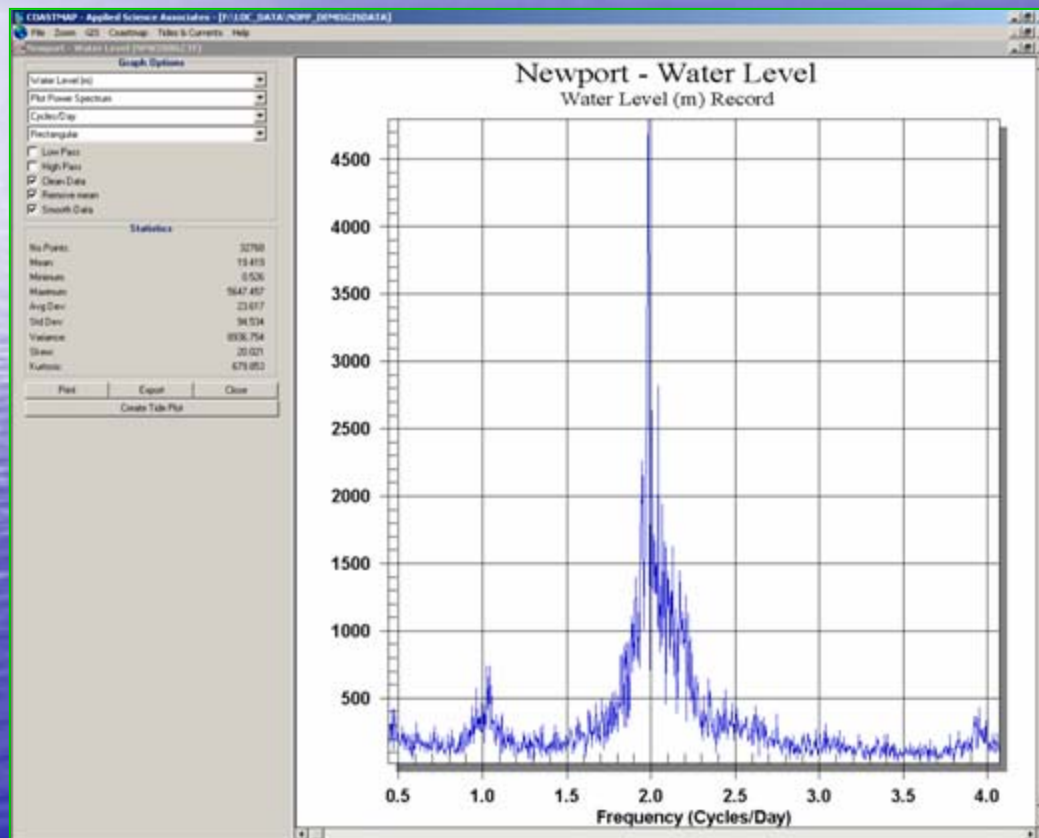
- National Weather Service
- NOAA Buoys
- USGS
- User Archives

- **Models**

- NOAA ETSS
- NOAA NBLAPS
- SWAFS
- ASA Forecasting System (NOPP)

# COASTMAP

## *Data Visualization and Analysis*

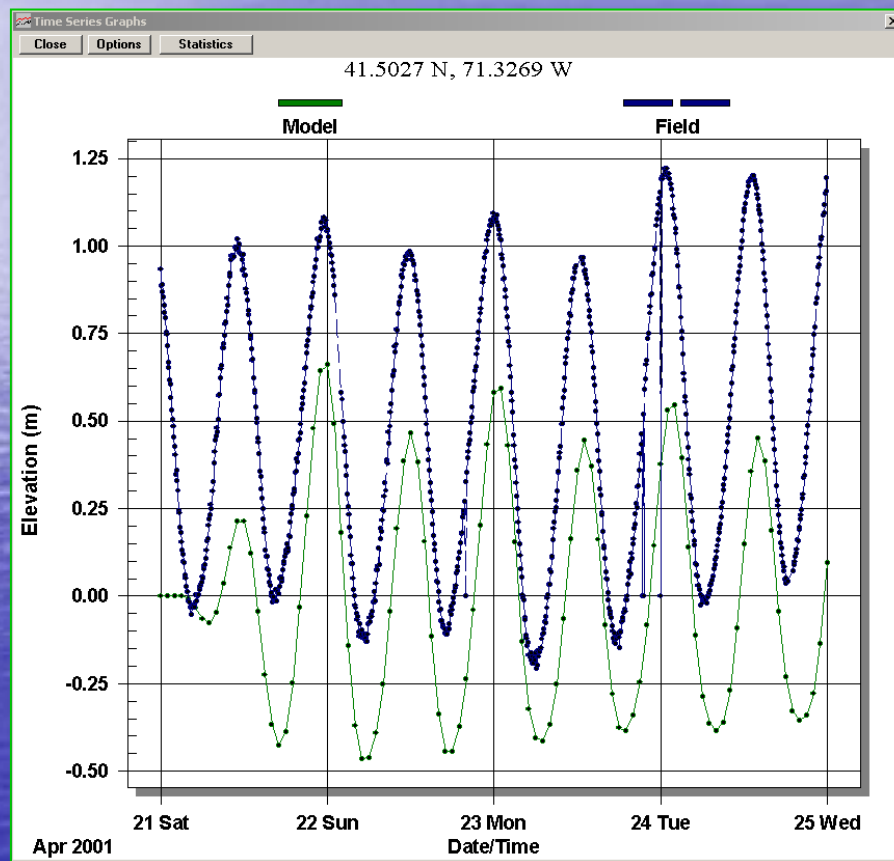


- Perform a suite of common data analysis functions
  - Filtering
  - Power Spectrum
  - Demeaning
  - Removal of Spurious Data
  - Harmonic Analysis



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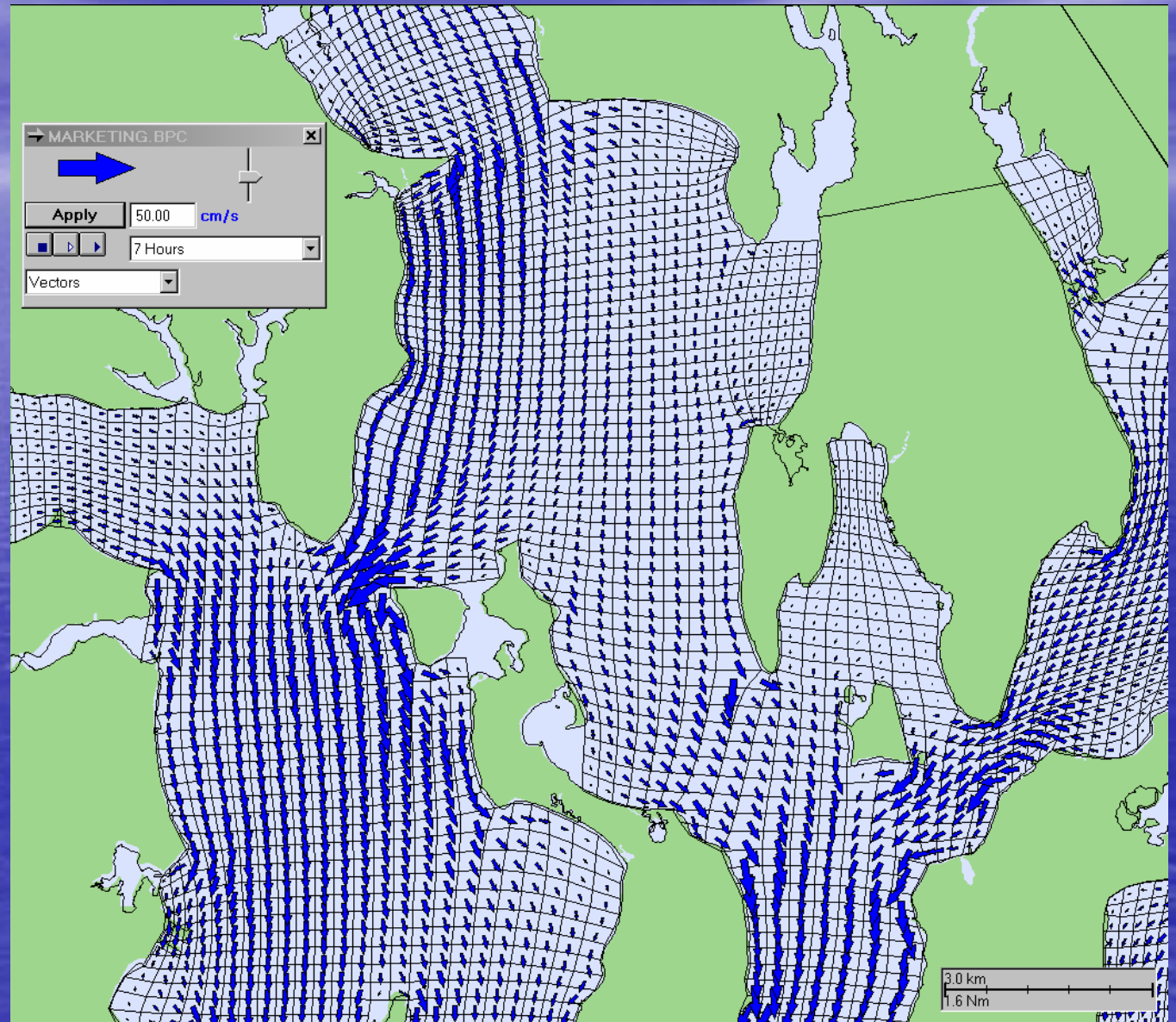
## *Model to Data Comparisons*



- Visualize model output and data simultaneously
- Perform qualitative and quantitative time series analyses

# From Concept to Execution

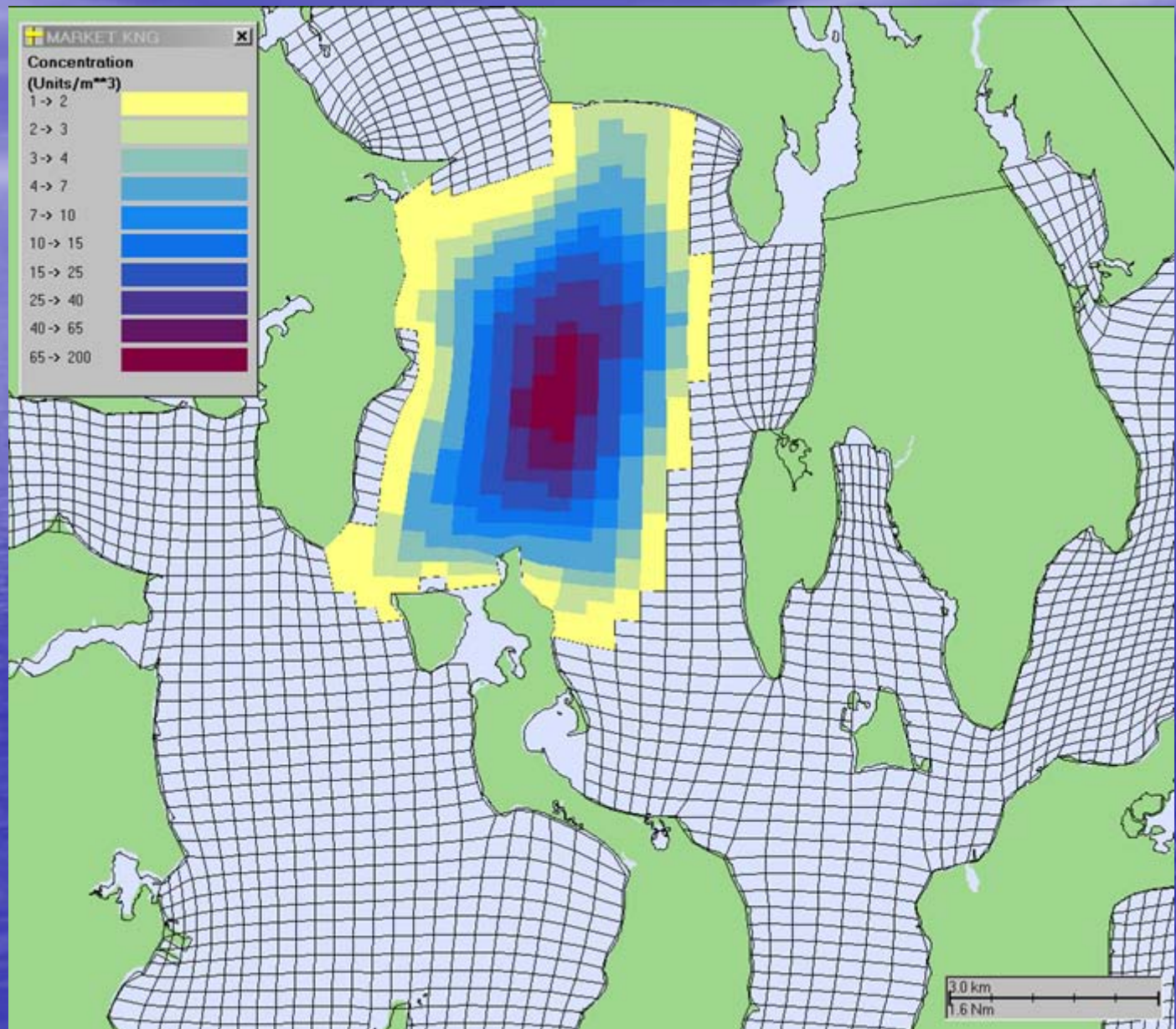
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output from  
Hydrodynamic  
Modeling  
Link Directly  
to All ASA  
Models***





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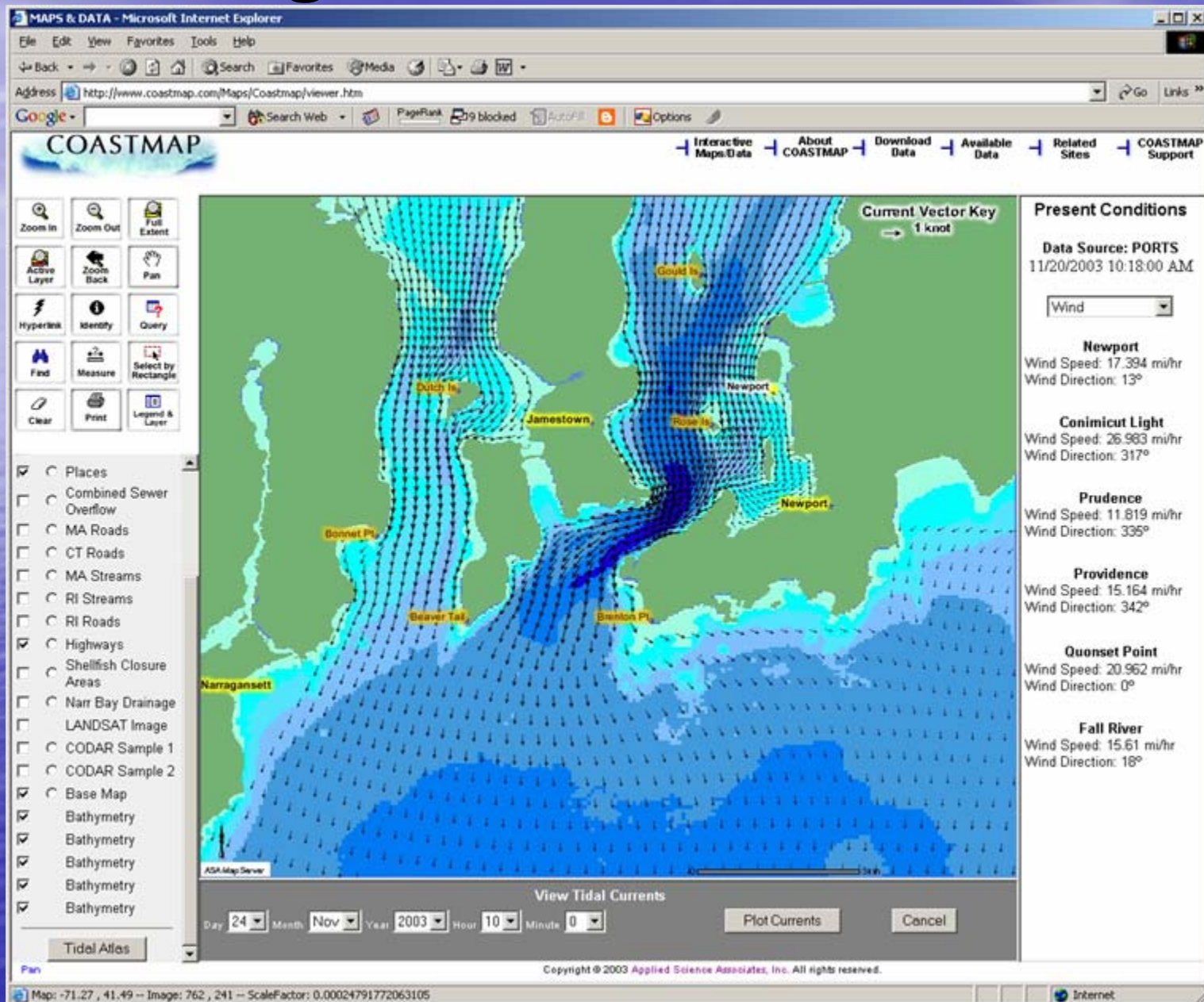
## *Pollutant Transport Modeling*





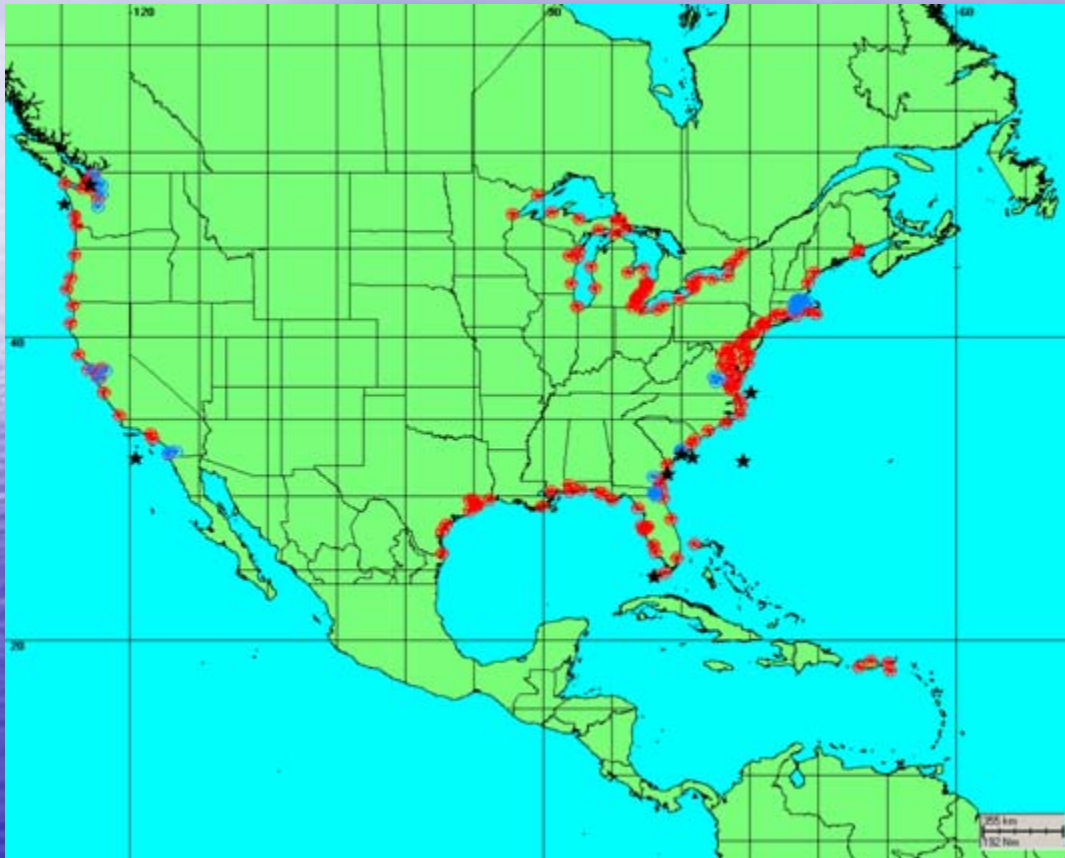
# Web-Posting of Results

www.coastmap.com





# US Naval Oceanographic Office



- Client/Server Application
- Real Time Data from 275 Sensors
- Support Operational Modeling and Homeland Security Activities

# NAVO Coastal Ports

- Provide linkages to and display of real time and archived monitoring data for various ports where Navy has facilities
- Initial locations
  - Charleston, SC
  - Kings Bay, GA
  - Hampton Roads, VA
  - Puget Sound, WA
  - San Diego, CA
  - St. Johns, FL
- Data include water level, currents, river flow, waves, air and water temperature, winds, pressure

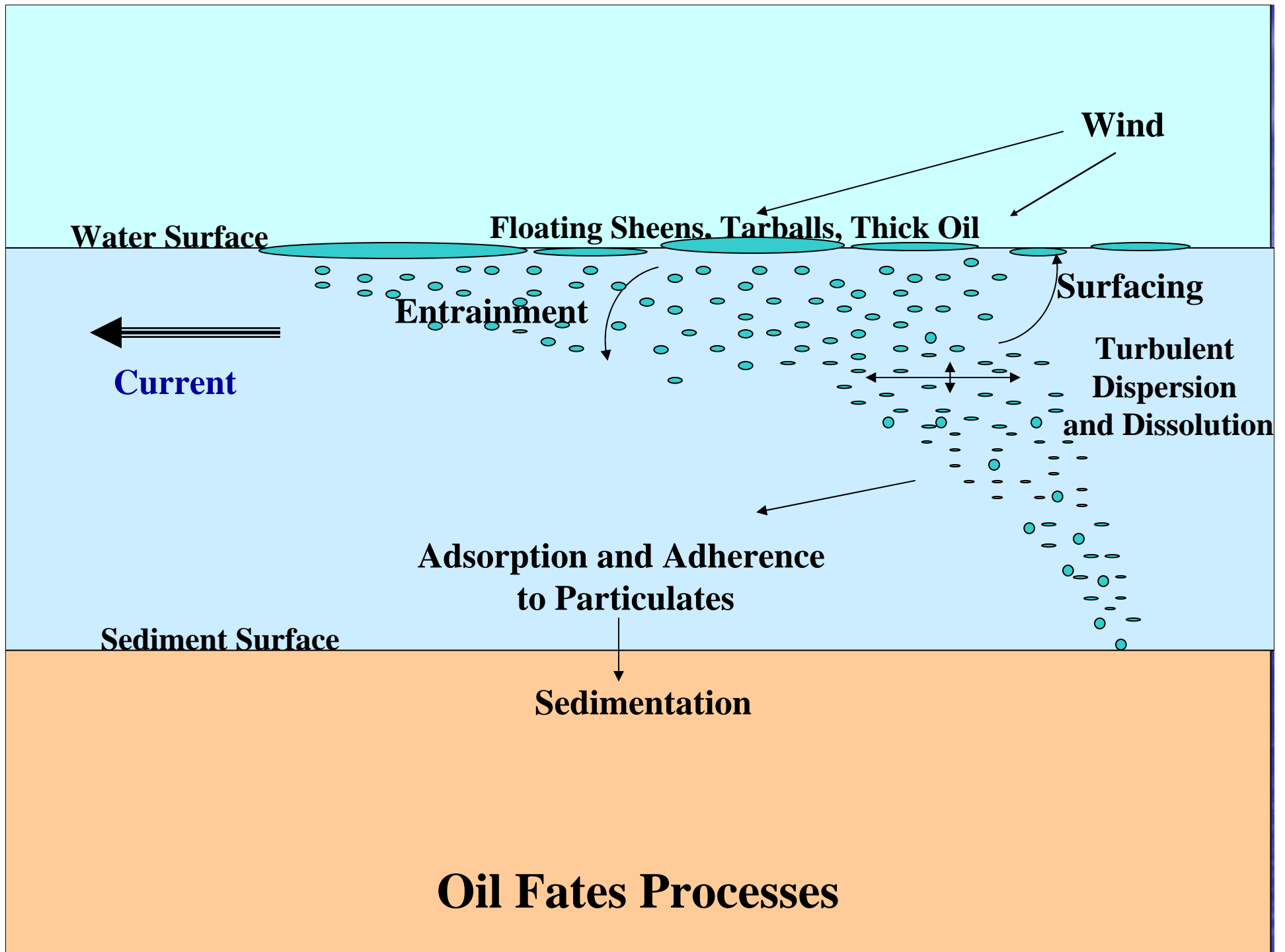


# **Oil Transport and Fates Models**

## **OILMAP and SIMAP**

### **SIMAP**

- **Surface slicks**
- **Subsurface droplets**
- **Water column aromatics (toxic fraction)**
- **Sediment aromatics**
- **Sediment total hydrocarbons**
- **Shoreline deposition and removal**
- **Response**
- **Mass balance**





# Potential Impacts of Oil Spills

- Surface smothering/coating exposure
  - Wildlife (birds, marine mammals, sea turtles)
  - Beaches
  - Shoreline habitats (wetlands, mangroves, seagrass)
- Subsurface toxicity (aromatics)
  - Fish and shellfish
  - Food web
  - Aquatic habitats

# Biological Exposure Model

- Organisms classified by behavior
  - Wildlife
    - % of time on water surface
    - Habitats used
    - Feathers & fur
  - Fish and Invertebrates
    - Swimming
    - Drift with currents
    - Stationary
- Movements of organisms are tracked to calculate exposure of individuals
- Impact a function of dose
  - Wildlife
    - Area swept by oil
    - Oil thickness
  - Fish and Invertebrates
    - Concentration
    - Exposure time
    - Temperature



# Validation

- **Model validated for >30 cases**
  - *Exxon Valdez*    *Puerto Rican*    *Command*
  - *North Cape*    *Apex Houston*
- **Model accuracy depends on:**
  - **Environmental data**
    - Winds
    - Currents
  - **Biological data**
    - Toxicity (species sensitivity)
    - habitat mapping
    - abundances

The background of the slide is a photograph of a vast, calm blue ocean meeting a clear blue sky at a distant horizon. The water has a fine, textured surface with small ripples. The sky is a deep blue with some very light, wispy clouds near the horizon.

# **Example: Hindcast / Nowcast / Forecast**

(demo)

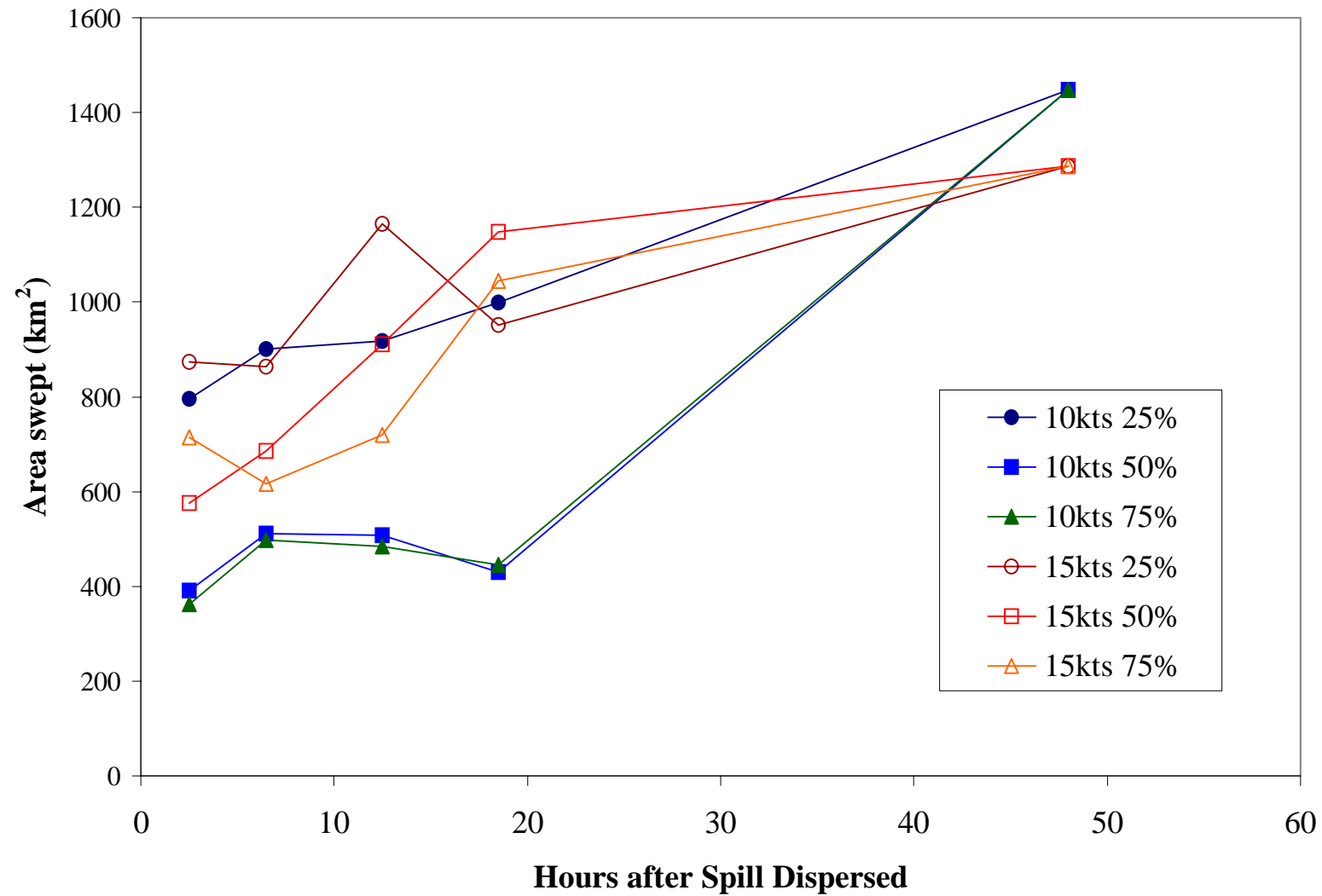


## Example: 1 million gal AK NS crude

Impact	No Dispersant	With Dispersant
Surface oil	50% of total	All dispersed
Dissolved aromatics	Up to 100 ppb	Over 1 ppm
Wildlife	3590 km <sup>2</sup>	81 km <sup>2</sup>
Water at surface	0.2 km <sup>2</sup> (200 kg sm. fish)	12 km <sup>2</sup> (43,000 kg sm. fish)

400,000 gal LA Crude

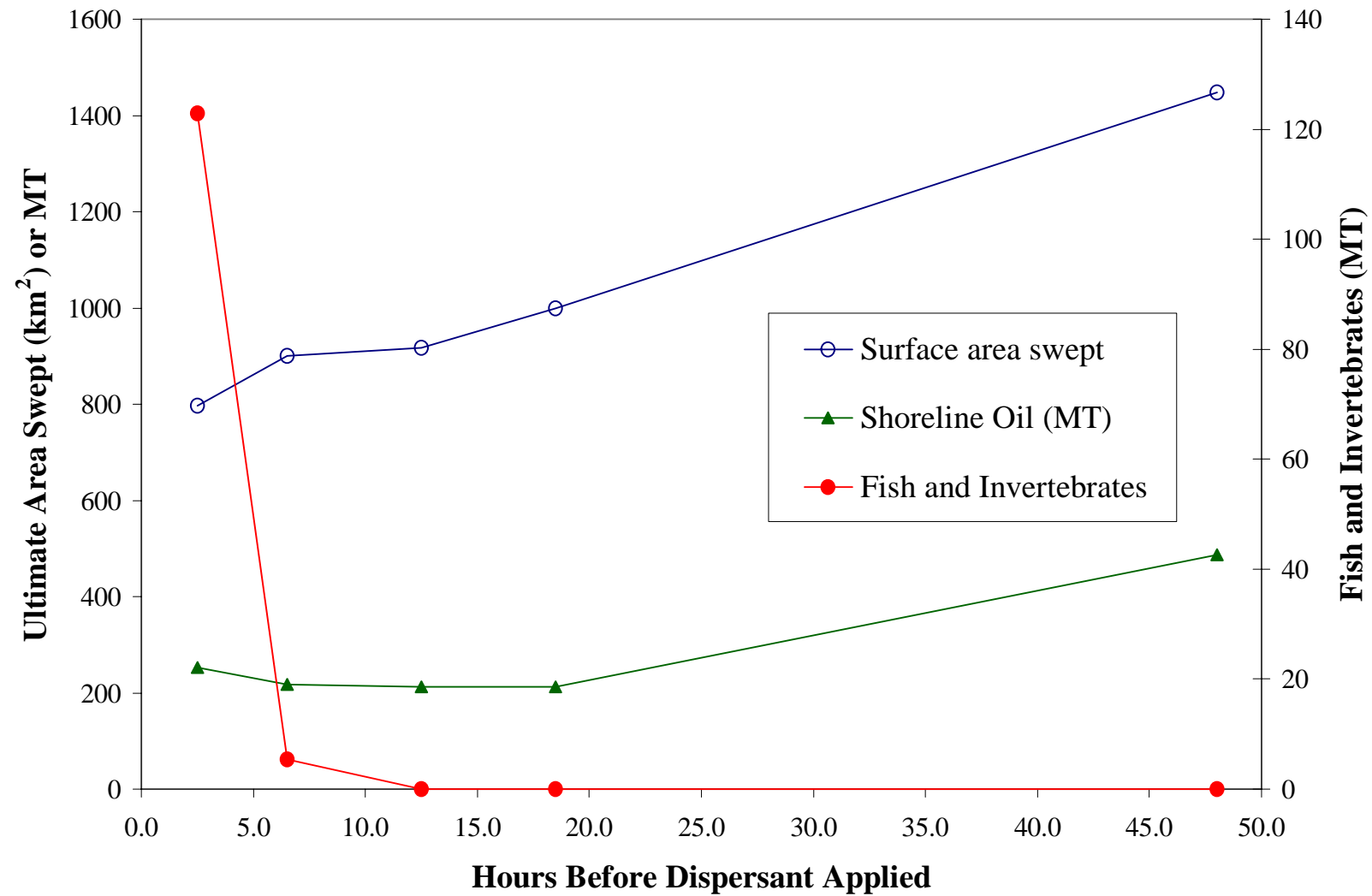
Surface Swept by Oil





**400,000 gal LA Crude**

**Wind 10 kts, 25% Dispersed**



# **Model Approaches for Ecological Risk Assessment and Spill Response Planning**

- **Single Scenarios**
  - Hindcast
  - Representative
  - Worst case
- **Multiple scenarios in Stochastic Mode -- for potential spill site(s) and release scenarios**
  - Probability of exceeding thresholds of concern
  - Probability of impacts



# Single Scenario Assessments

- Run a representative or worst case spill
- Sensitivity analysis: Vary data inputs to describe uncertainty
- What if assessment: Vary response to evaluate change in impact

# Multiple Scenarios

- Uses
  - Response planning
  - Response equipment deployment
  - Ecological risk assessment
  - Cost / benefit
  - Identification of worst case scenario
- Quantifies probability and expected degree of oil contamination and impact



# Stochastic Model

- Input data
  - Long term wind record
  - Currents
    - Long term current record
    - Hydrodynamic model
- Run model many times, randomize:
  - Spill date and time, and so winds and currents
  - Volume, duration, other inputs (Monte Carlo)
- Output: Statistical distributions of results

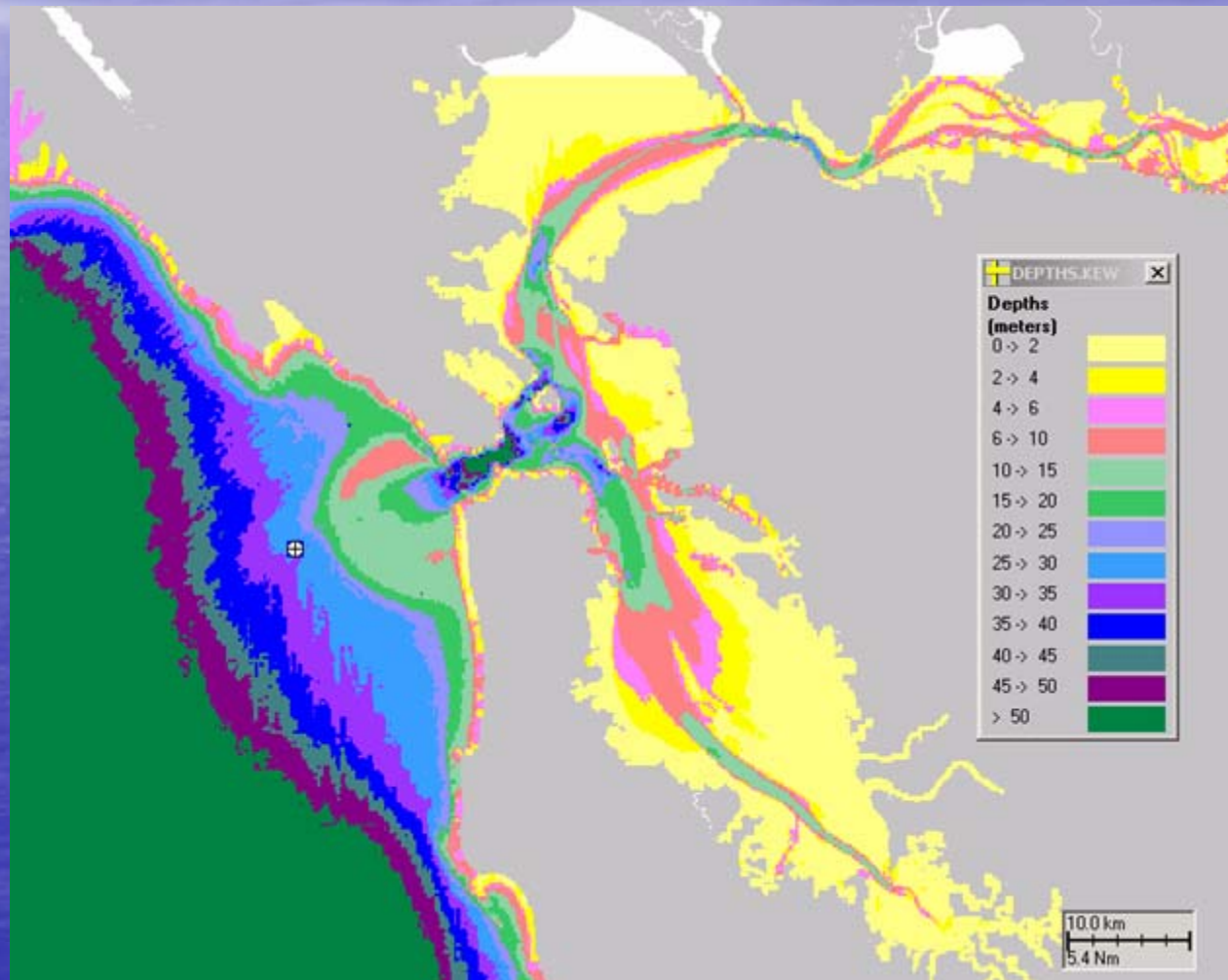
## **Example:**

# **40,000 bbl (1.68 million gal) spills off San Francisco Bay**

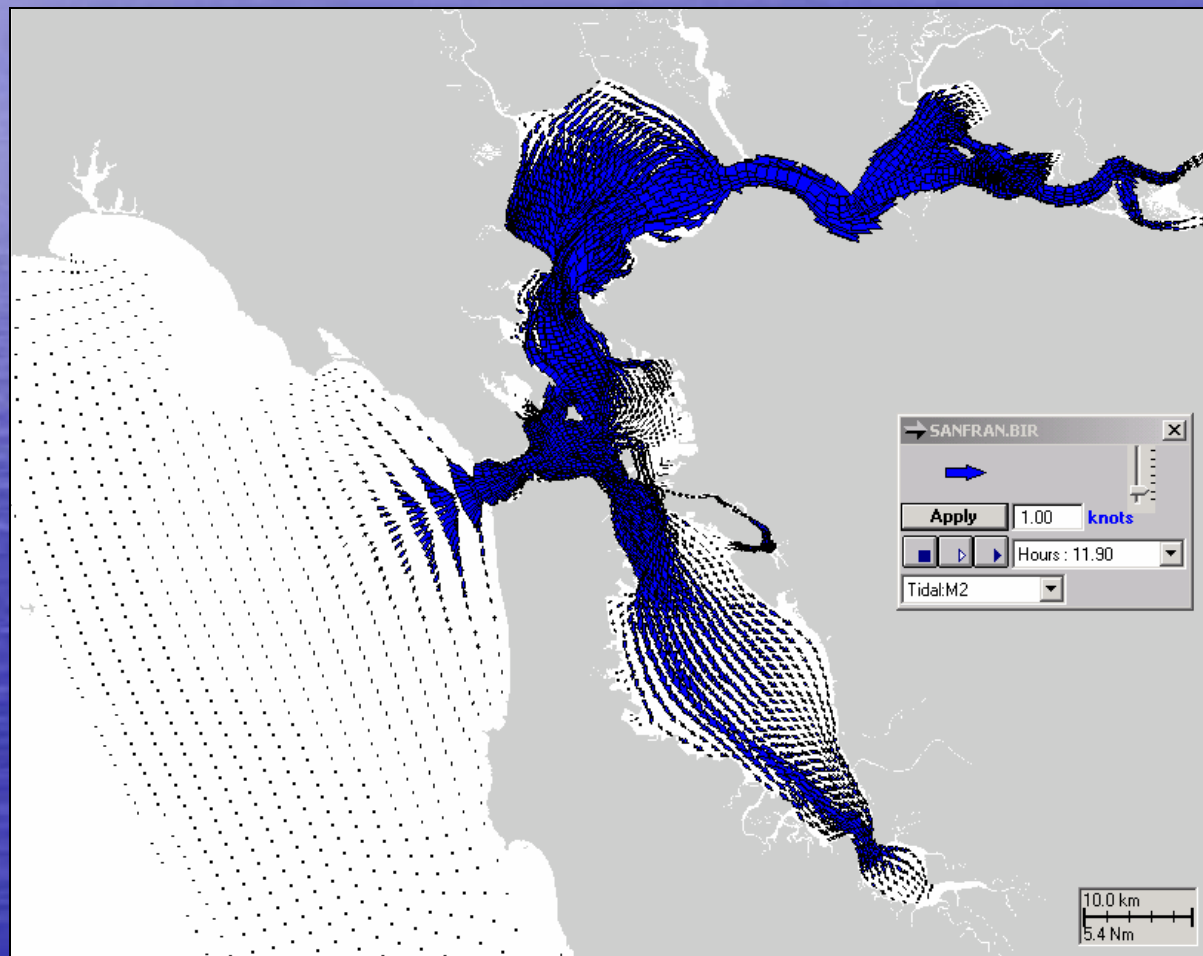
- Modeling study for US Coast Guard
- Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS)
- Proposed changes to Vessel and Facility Response Plan oil removal capacity (Caps) requirements for tank vessels and marine transportation-related facilities



# What if a Spill 7 miles from Golden Gate?

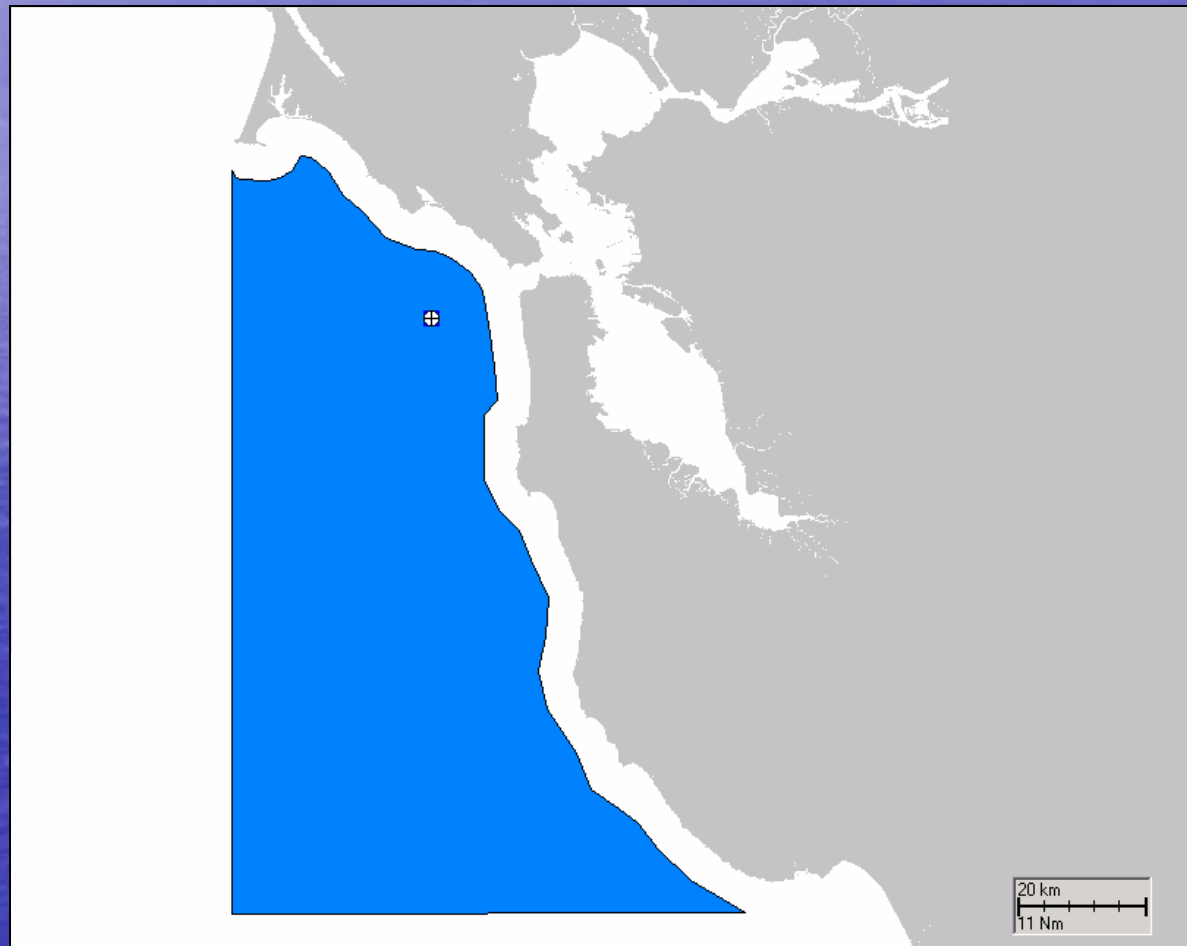


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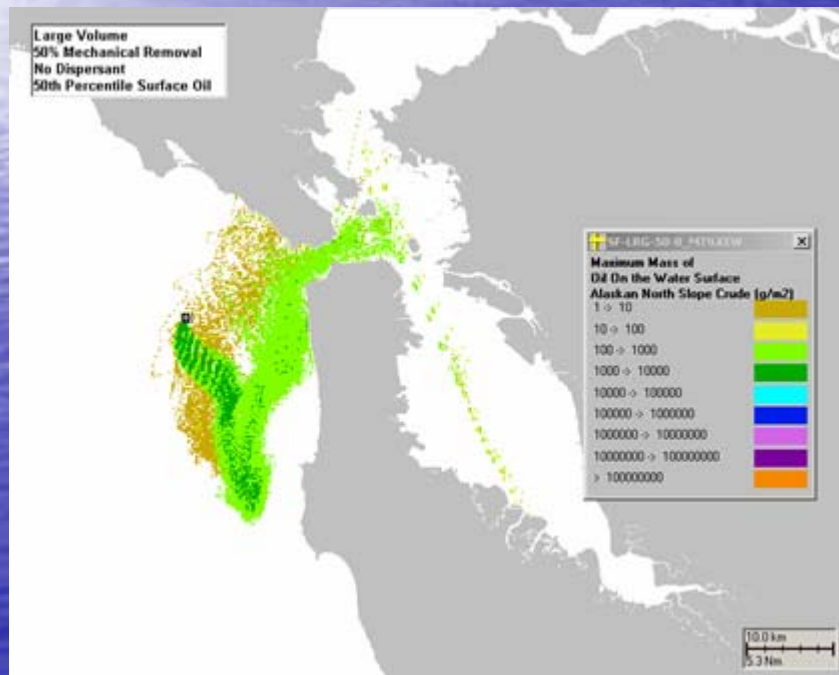


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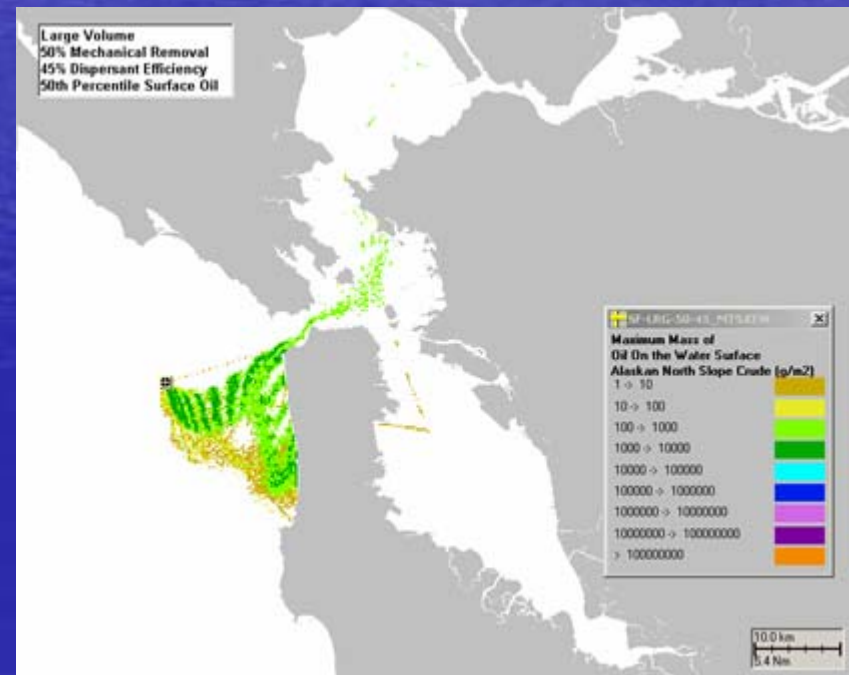


# Oil on Water Surface – Amount for one spill date and time

No Dispersant



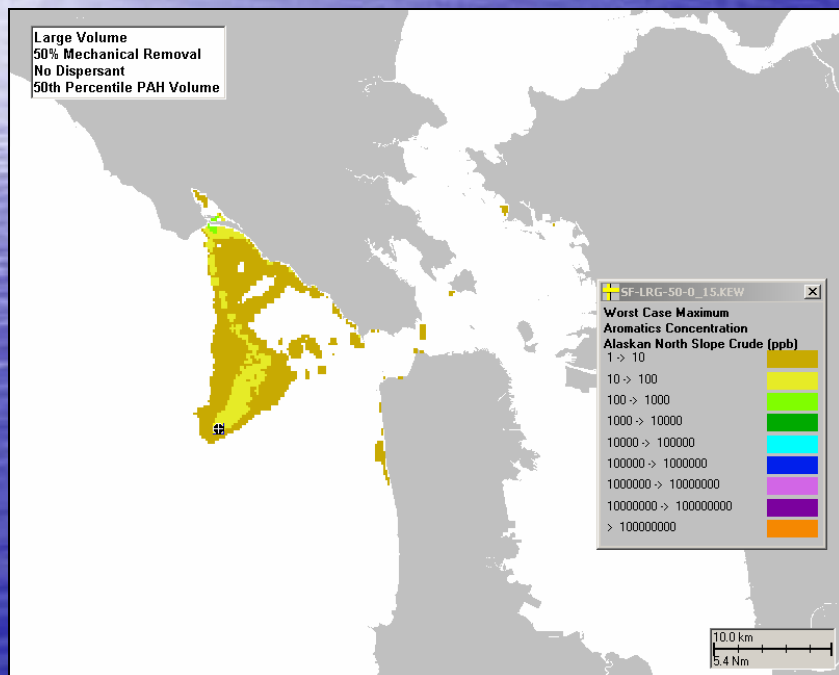
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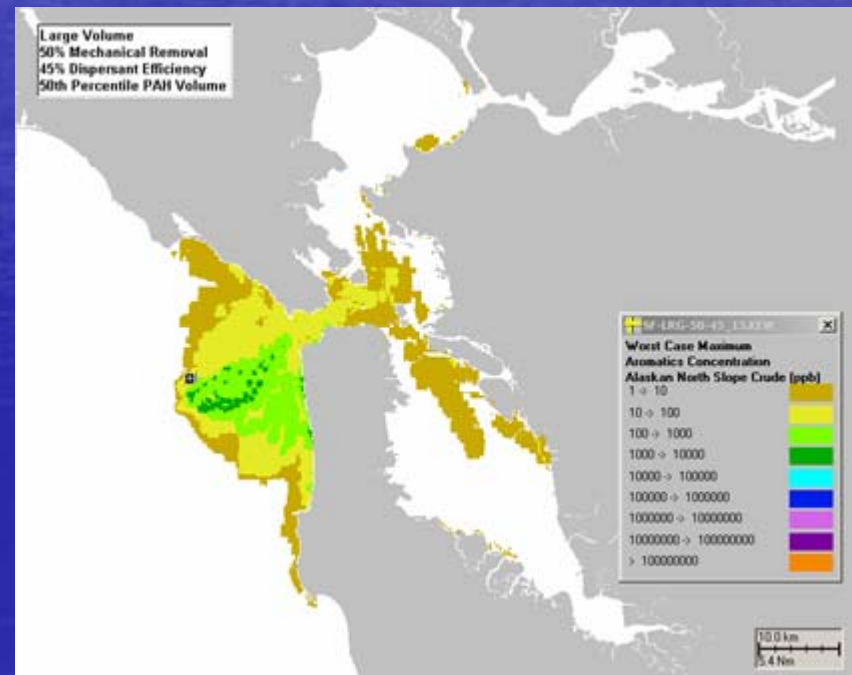


# Dissolved Aromatics – Maximum Concentration for one spill date and time

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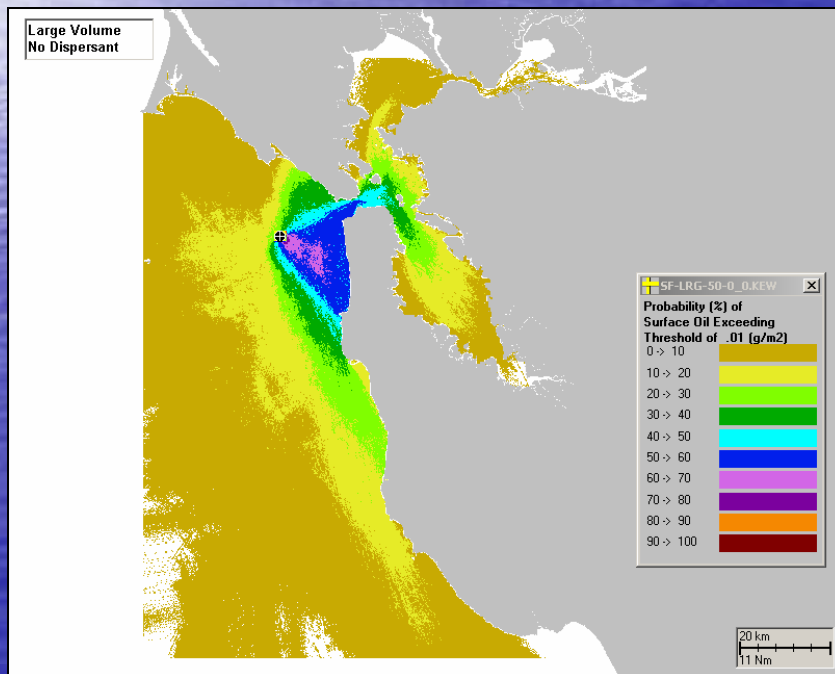


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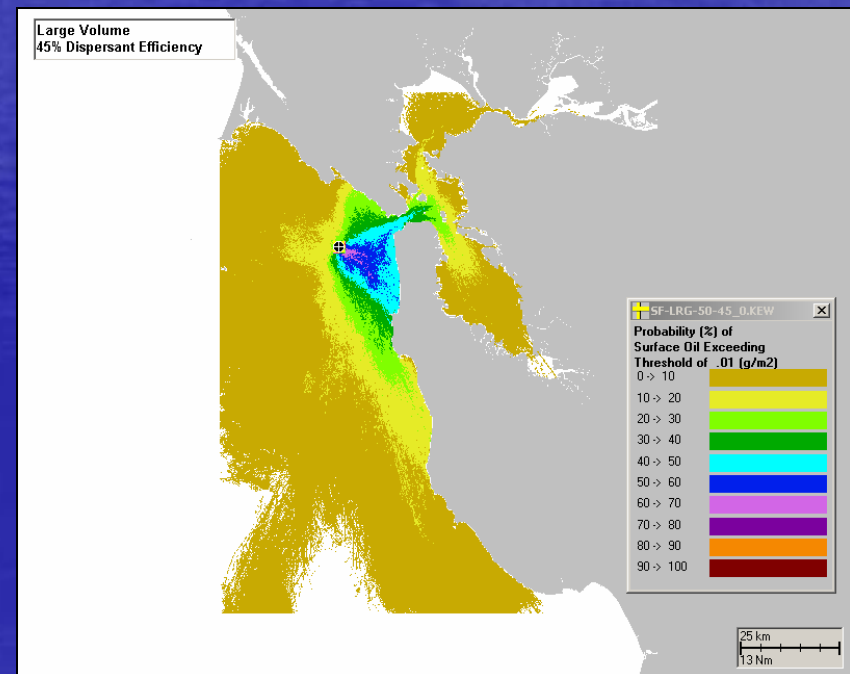


# Oil on Water Surface – Probability

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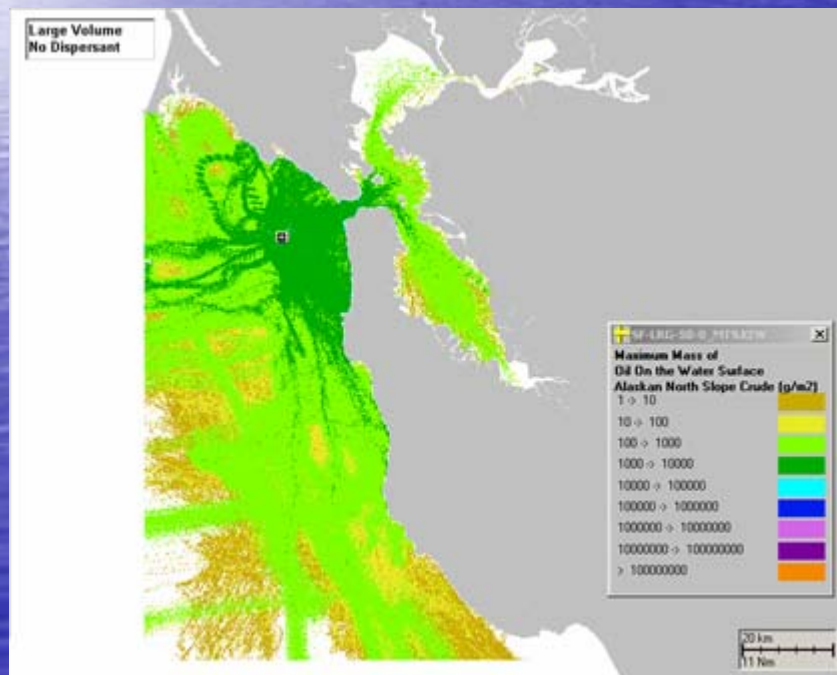


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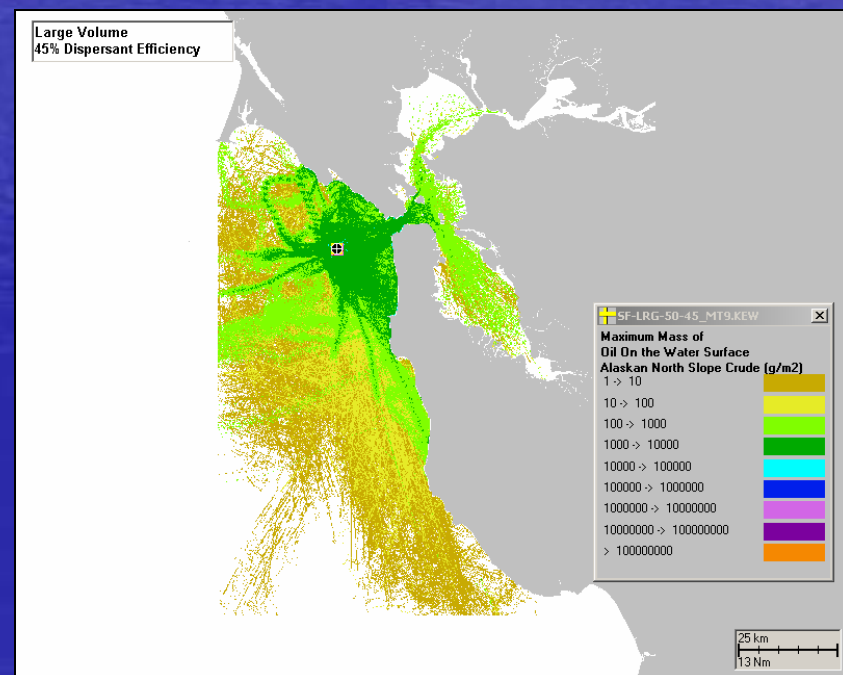


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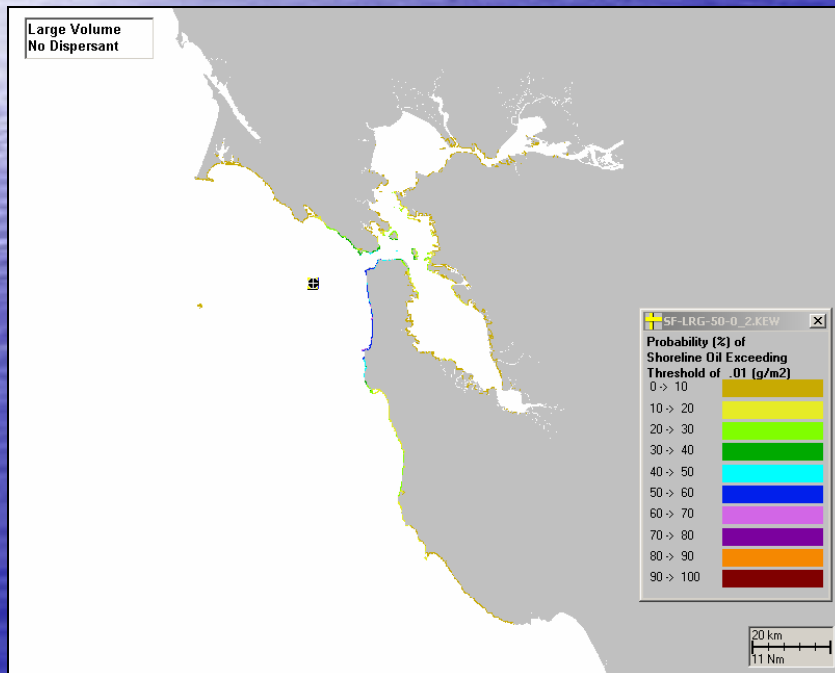
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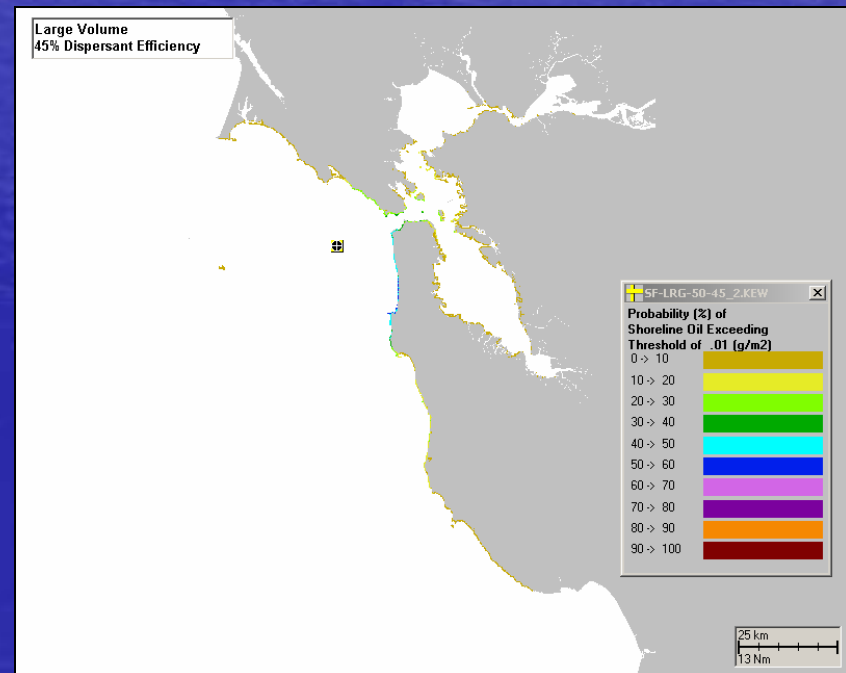


# Shoreline Oiling – Probability

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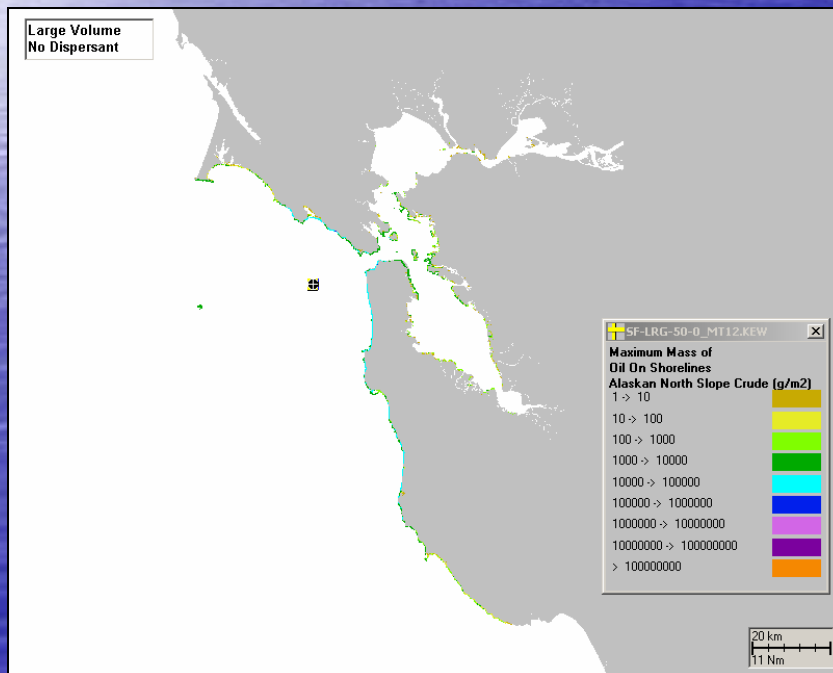


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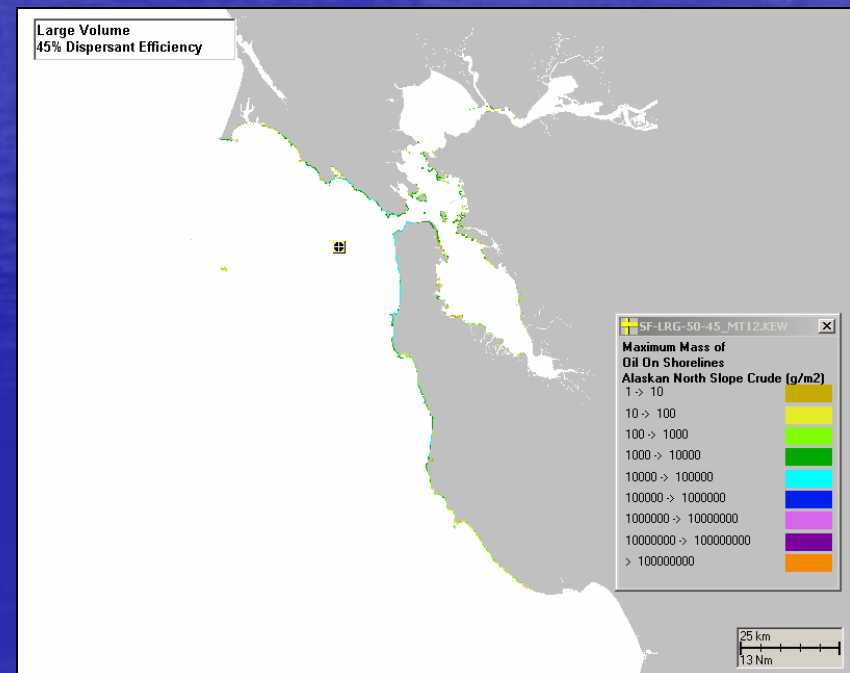


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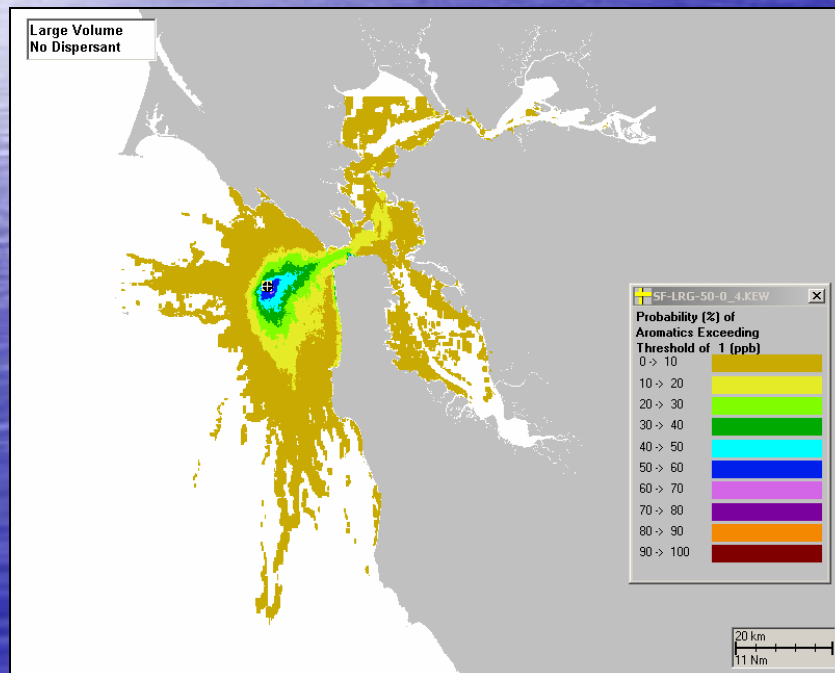


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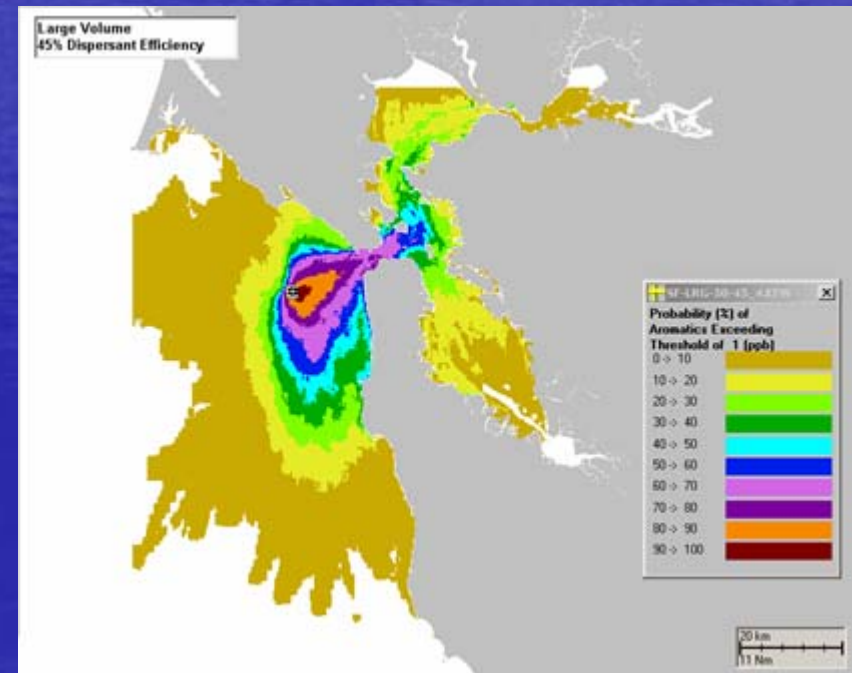


# Dissolved Aromatics – Probability of Exceeding 10 ppb

No Dispersant



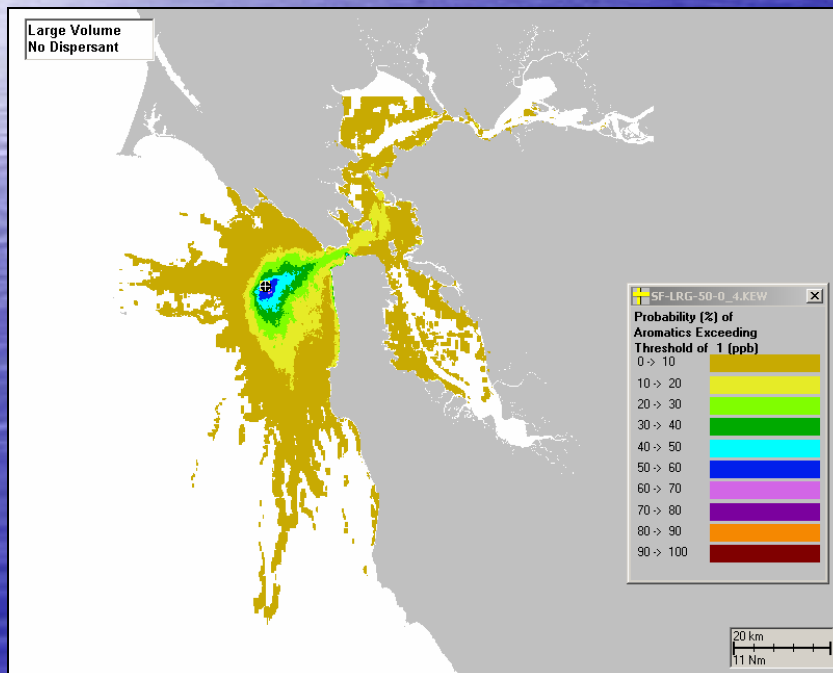
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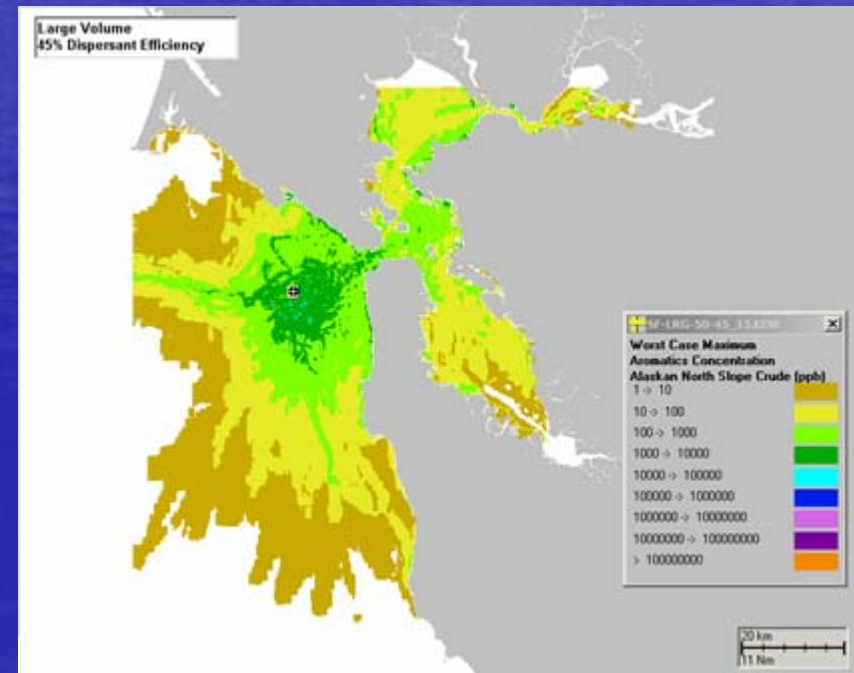


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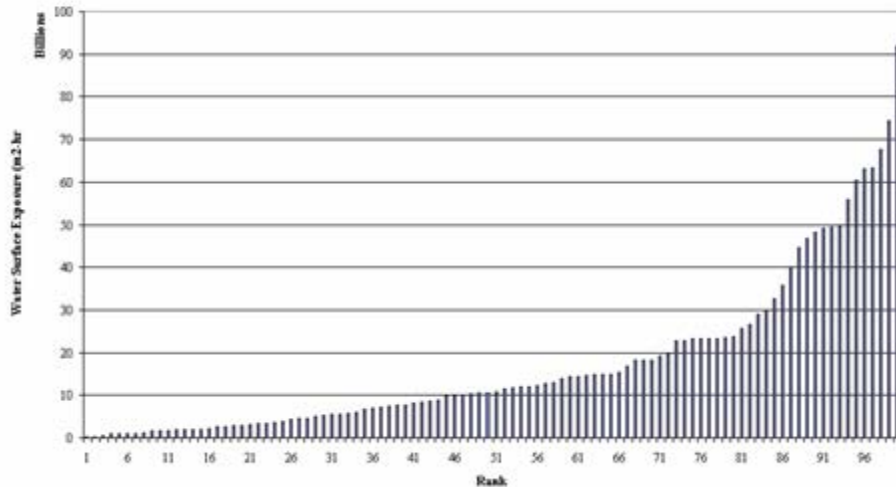


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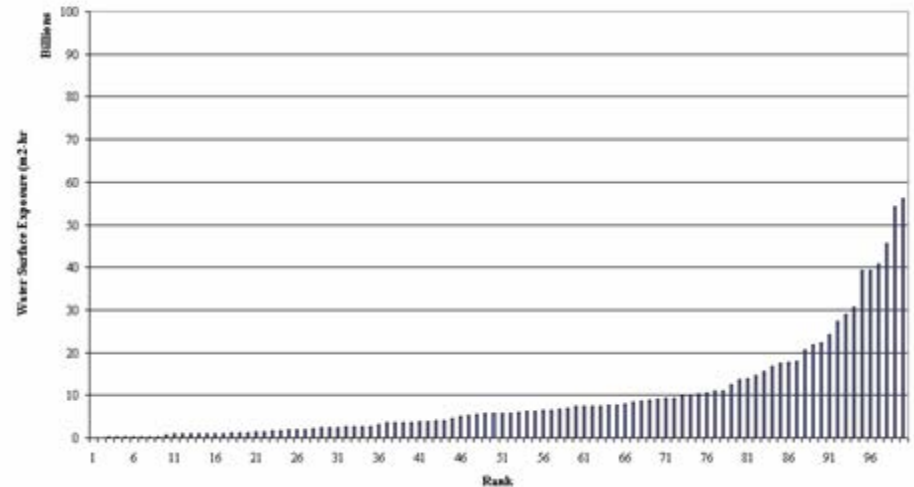
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With Dispersant

Surface Oil Exposure  
San Francisco, 40,000 bbl Alaskan North Slope Crude  
50% Mechanical Removal, No Dispersant



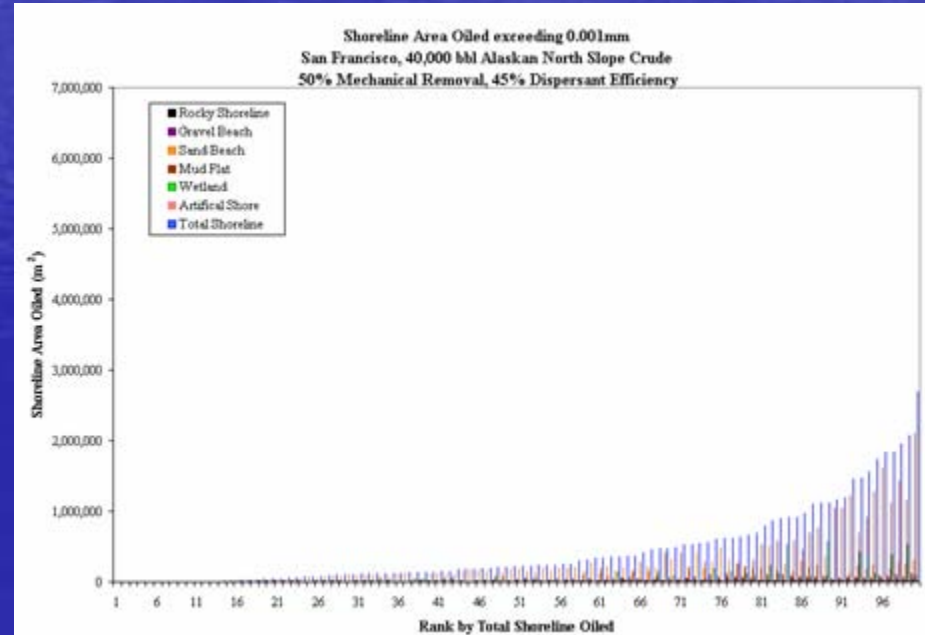
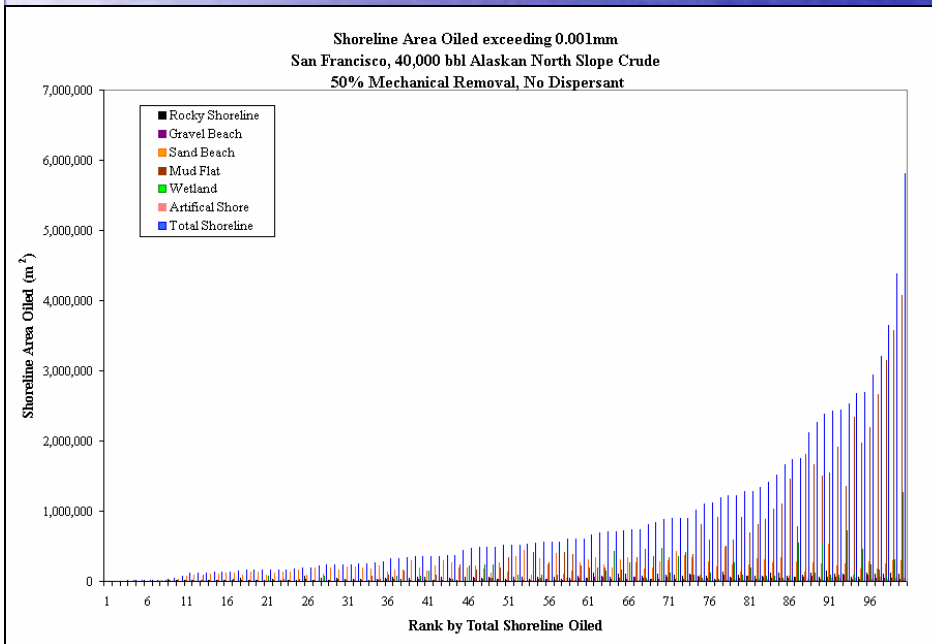
Surface Oil Exposure  
San Francisco, 40,000 bbl Alaskan North Slope Crude  
50% Mechanical Removal, 45% Dispersant Efficiency



# Shoreline Oiling

No Dispersant

With Dispersant



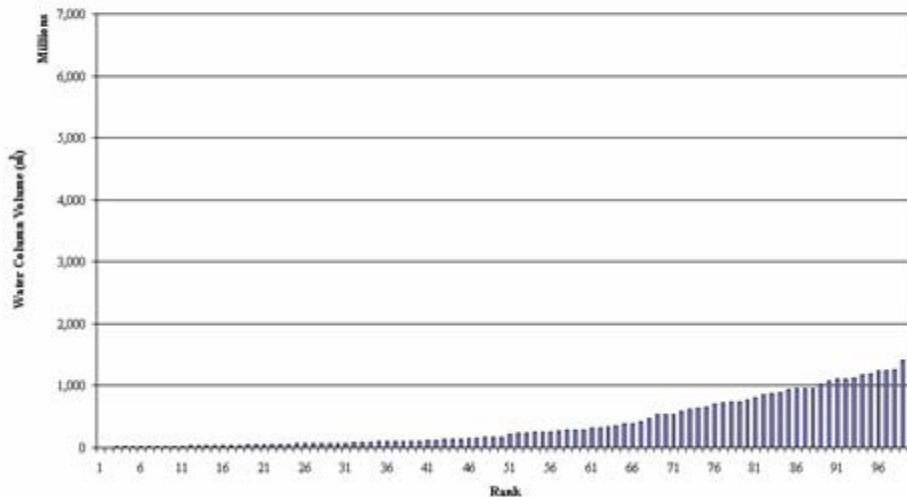


# Dissolved Aromatics

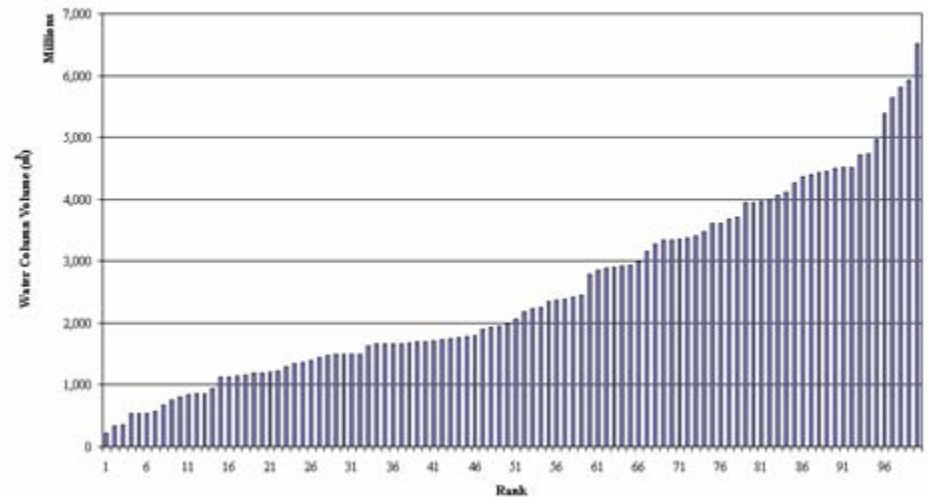
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With Dispersant

Maximum Volume exceeding 1 ppb  
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# Conclusions

- **Large and Powerful Toolbox**
  - Models: Oil, Chemicals, Hydrodynamics
  - Acquisition, analysis and incorporation of real-time data
- **Model Accuracy Depends on Data Input**
- **Need to Use Stochastic / Statistical Approach**
- **Pre-spill Preparation: makes real-time modeling and analysis possible**